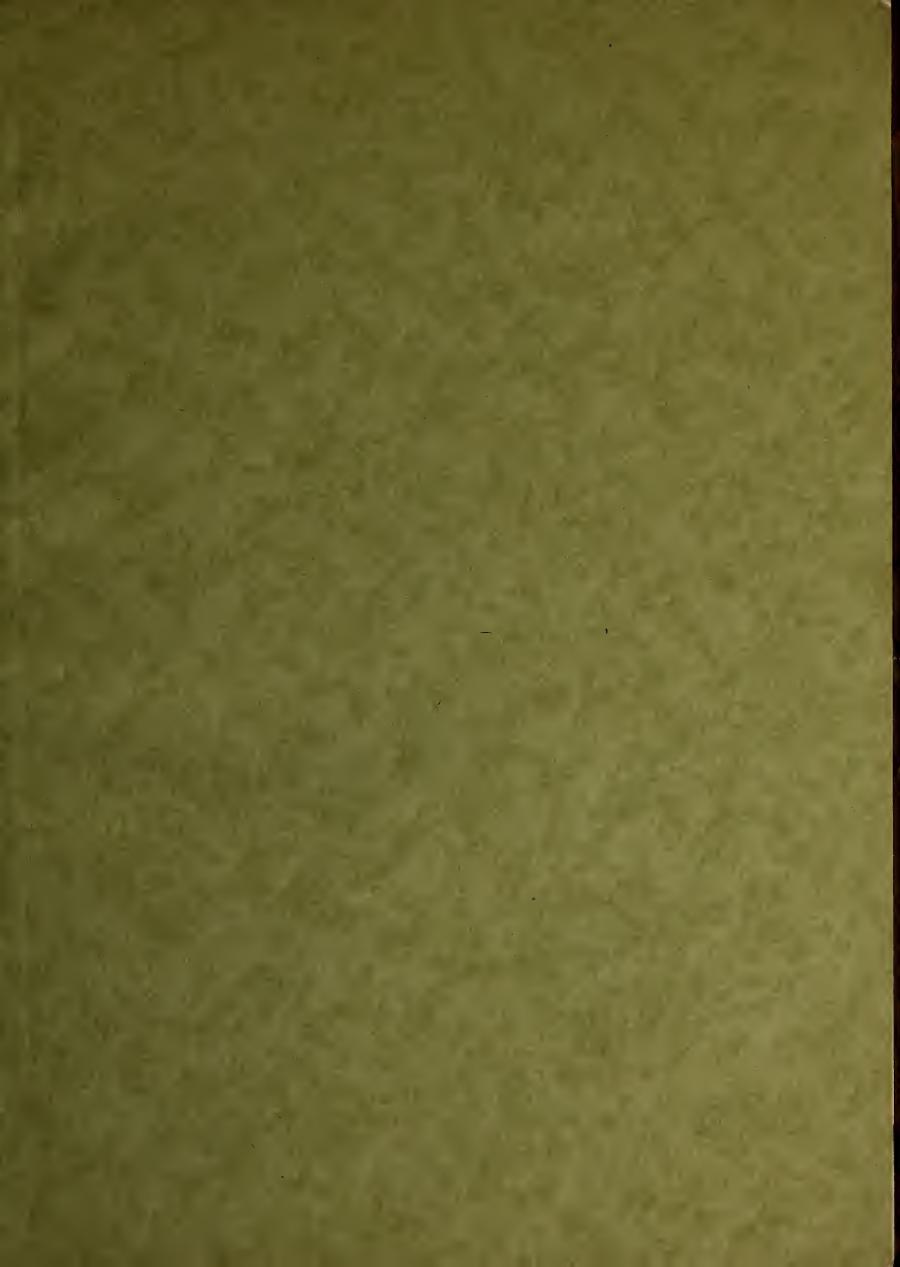
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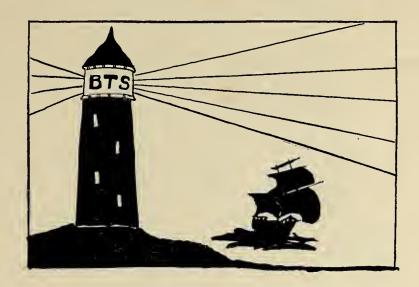
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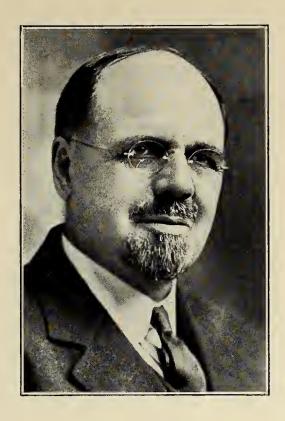
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FOREWORD

WITH happy remembrances of bygone school days—with a vision of inspiring every member of our family, scattered far and near—of thrilling the hearts of every friend and prospective student—we have sought to put into concrete form the spirit of the "B. T. S." It is our fervent hope that this publication will be the means of renewing the bond of love and fellowship which we enjoy in Christ Jesus—that it might carry untold blessings to many hearts—to these ends we prayerfully submit this second edition of—THE LIGHT TOWER.



DEDICATION

WITH the founding of the Bible Training School, twenty-five years ago—our beloved President—Rev. J. E. Ramseyer—gave his life of faithful devotion to the promotion of the welfare of the school—to the spiritual progress of every student. To his fatherly disciplining—keen judgment—life of unswerving perseverance in faith and prayer—the establishment and maintenance of this institution are greatly indebted—so to him we respectfully dedicate this twenty-fifth anniversary number of—THE LIGHT TOWER.

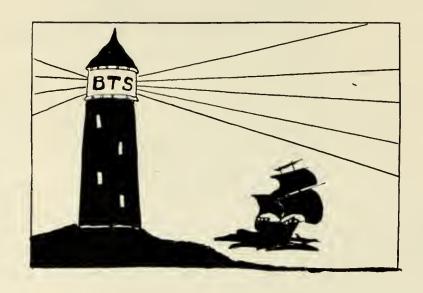


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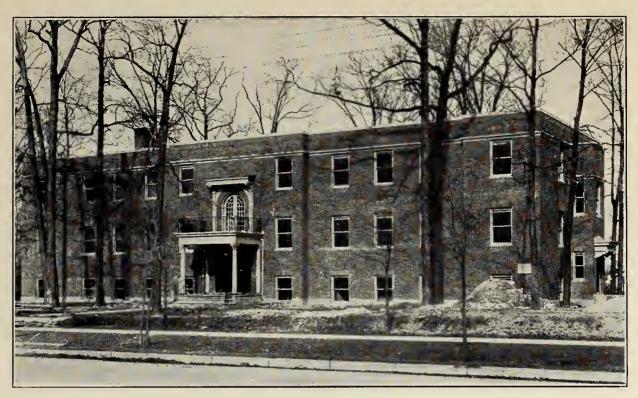
God alone can save the world, but God cannot save the world alone. He is dependent upon human instrumentality to carry the glad tidings of salvation into all the world. The commission, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," is still in effect, and He is calling out young people who will go for Him.

To participate in this most high and noble calling young people must necessarily have preparation. For this God has made provision. Educational centers have been provided where training for his service can be acquired. Thus, under the wise providence of God, the Fort Wayne Bible Training School came into existence twenty-five years ago.

The school is evidence of the truth that God always prospers His work. Since January first, nineteen hundred and five, when the first students enrolled, hundreds of young people have carried out from its halls the light of salvation into the darkest parts of the world. The influence of the B. T. S. has reached the uttermost parts of the earth.

Not only has God blessed the school, but with the commemoration of the twenty-fifth anniversary He is blessing it more abundantly. This is a year unequaled in its history. Growing demands for training and increasing opportunities for service have prompted our Heavenly Father, who supplies all needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus, to give the school a silver anniversary present. This present was a new dormitory, better known as Bethany Hall.

Bethany Hall, as already intimated, was not a superfluous gift. It was just that equipment of which the B. T. S. stood in need. The past two years God has manifested His seal of approval upon the school by calling to its halls a number of students that exceeded by far the dormitory accommodations. The first year, under



BETHANY HALL

His providence, a large apartment house was rented and used for the boys' dormitory. Bethany Hall was kept on the reserve shelf awaiting the twenty-fifth anniversary. When this memorable school year opened, the apartment house was no longer available; consequently, the boys were placed in private homes. Our class rooms also were limited in number. For a few months school was conducted under severe handicaps. But why should we complain when better days were awaiting us? Just out on the campus the workmen were now busy constructing our beautiful new anniversary present. Such rapid progress was made in building it that by February twentieth it was ready for use. How happy we were when the appointed days arrived and we were privileged to meet and dedicate Bethany Hall to God's service!

How significant the name! Bethany was the home where Jesus loved to be. Our sincere prayer for Bethany Hall is that it will always be kept a place where Jesus loves to dwell.

Just what the twenty-five years of service of the B. T. S. have meant to the world awaits a revelation. God has answered prayer in behalf of the school and kept it among the few—comparatively speaking—that proclaim the unadulterated Word of God. It stands to-day a monument of God's power to keep through severest trials.

Although the past history of the school tells a remarkable story, its mission is not complete. The world at large is groping in darkness. Multitudes of sinstricken souls have never heard the soothing name of Jesus. The field is ripe and ready for harvest, and God is calling for laborers.

May the B. T. S. continue to stand, a beacon light by which many will be guided into the bulwark of safety, so that if Jesus tarries twenty-five years longer, our Father will be pleased to crown the years of service with a golden anniversary present.

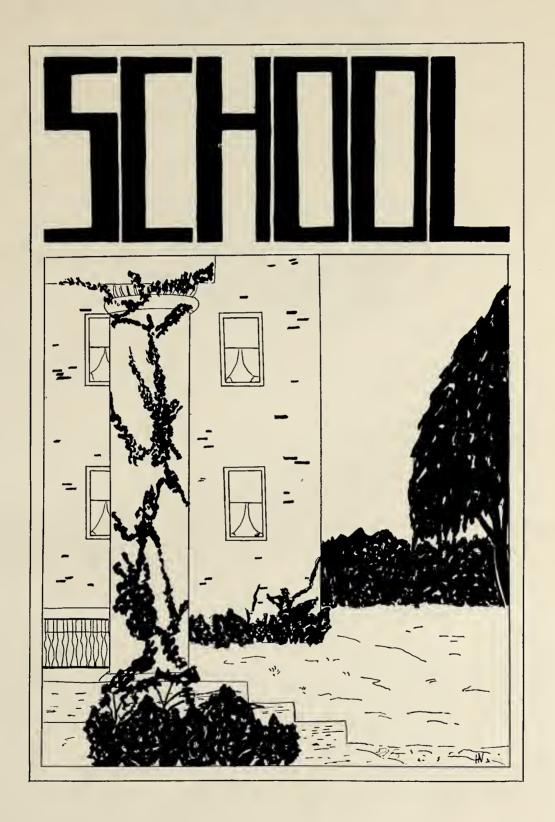
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A MESSAGE FROM OUR DEAN

In this brief space allotted to me, let me remind you that you are in preparation for a ministry which is extraordinary. Yours is not a mere earthly vocation; you have been called into the exalted service of the King of heaven. Jesus said: "Ye have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain;" and, "as the Father hath sent Me, even so send I you." Students, you have received a personal call from Christ to engage in His glorious service. As He was sent forth to the world to do the work which His Father gave Him to do, so are you to go forth to carry out His great commission. What a ministry!

Your task it will be to help carry to earth's remotest bounds the grandest tidings ever known—a message direct from the bleeding heart of God to a world of needy men, a message so dynamic that it can give pardon to the guilty, peace to the conscience smitten, purity to the polluted and defiled, overcoming power to the tempted, comfort to the sorrowing, healing to the sick, life to the dying. The communication you are to transmit is absolutely unique. There is none other like it, so vital, so necessary, and so adequate. Without it men are certain to persih, and so vital so necessary, and so adequate. Without it men are certain to perish, and it forever in the presence and fellowship with God.

Inasmuch as the ministry to which you are called is so noble and its issues so weighty, let me urge upon you to qualify properly for the position. Make the most of your days of training; apply yourselves diligently to your studies; cultivate the gifts God has bestowed upon you; and by prayer and faith lay hold on every means of grace He has provided that you may be able to fill your office well. Then at His coming you will receive a full reward.

Yours, in His service,

Rev. B. F. Leightner



C. A. Gerber B. G. Smith

Jacob Hygema Mrs. B. G. Smith Lillian Zeller

S. A. Witmer Raymond Weaver

SERVANTS OF CHRIST

As a pond of clear sparkling water reflects the graceful trees o'ershadowing it, so a school reflects the spirit of the men and women at its head.

For a quarter of a century the Word of God has gone out from the Bible Training School and has been carried by young men and women to near and distant waiting fields of the world. Wherever its representatives have gone the influence of this school has been felt, that warm glow radiating from its firm foundation, the established principles of the lifegiving teachings of Christ.

But for the lives of strong Christian men and women, rooted and grounded in the Word of Life, an institution such as this could not have been. To them then belongs the gratitude and affection of those for whom they have given their best.

President at its beginning, Rev. J. E. Ramseyer still remains head of the school. No one who has been a member of the B. T. S. family forgets the wise fatherly council which comes from his lips. Fragments such as these linger in minds of students: "We can honor God in no other way more than to trust Him," and "The path of obedience lies along the river of God's blessings."

Mr. Leightner, the Dean, understands the ambitions and plans of those in his care. Though a busy man, he is yet one to whom the students do not fear to come for help and advice. On his desk have been two mottoes: one a prayer, "Lord help me to accomplish the greatest possible good in the shortest possible time," and the other the answer to that prayer, "I am the almighty God, walk before Me."

Rev. Jacob Hygema is loved by his students. As he stands before them they are reminded of that glory which unconsciously shone in Moses' face.

A lover of young people is the Rev. B. G. Smith. He sees the good in others and is swift to sense the humorous. "It is the busy man who finds time to accomplish things." Mrs. B. G. Smith also has the good of her pupils at heart and is willing to sacrifice many home comforts that she may serve them.



Mrs. Bertha Lugibihl Miss Naomi Roth

P. L. Eicher, Bus. Mgr. Miss Judith Bixler

Mrs. J. E. Ramseyer Miss Sophia Pauley

Miss Zeller is a confidante and friend of her students, a true prayer helper. "He expects results and therefore sees them." Mr. S. A. Witmer inspires his students to work and profitably use their time.

A lover of song and a teacher in the art of singing is Prof. C. A. Gerber. Nineteen years of explaining the fundamentals of music have not exhausted his patience with these young men and women who come and go as the years pass by.

Mr. Raymond Weaver, the B. T. S. piano instructor, uses his consecrated talents in service for his Master. His music is a part of himself and he freely gives himself in his work.

Herself a beautiful singer, Mrs. Jared Gerig has also proved her ability as a teacher of vocal students.

The daughter of the Dean, Miss Mildred Leightner, has served the school well as an accomplished pianist for Prof. Gerber's music students.

Mr. Bert Eicher, a capable young man in the B. T. S. as a student, uses his knowledge of English to good advantage as a teacher of first-year college English.

Then there is the group known as the workers. Here we find the big hearted Business Manager, Mr. Eicher; the snowy haired Matron, Mrs. Bertha Lugibihl, affectionately known as Mother Lugibihl; the faithful Assistant Matron, Miss Bixler; Miss Pauley, whose important task is caring for the diet of this big family; Mrs. Ramseyer, the President's wife, a willing helper in the school; the efficient bookkeeper, Miss Gaskell; Miss Roth, the office girl; and the janitor, Mr. Winkler, who conscientiously performs his every duty.

Day after day the lives of these faithful men and women teach the students that

"Twill matter little by what path He led us, If in it all we sought to do His will."

SCHOOL SONG

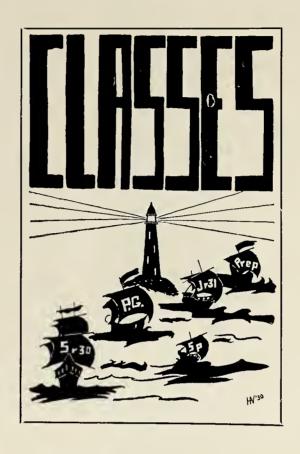
God bless the good old B. T. S.,
Which we have learned to love;
It stands for truth and pow'r and grace
Of God in heav'n above.

We love the good old B. T. S., With fellowship so sweet; We kneel for her in humble prayer At God's dear mercy seat.

Live on, thou good old B. T. S.,
Throughout this vast domain;
And may thy halls all nations bless
Till Christ returns to reign.

Chorus:

God bless the good old B. T. S.,
In faith and hope and love;
May it stand secure and long endure,
The good old B. T. S.



POST GRADUATES



MARY L. HOWLAND-Markle, Indiana

"He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?"—Rom. 8:32

ESTHER V. PFUND-Lima, Ohio

"Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to puss."—Ps. 37:5

ELSIE F. RUPP-Archbold, Ohio

"And the Lord shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not."—Isa 58:11

CECIL M. DAVISON—Decatur, Indiana

"But he knoweth the way that I take: when he hath tried me, I shall come forth us gold."—Job 23:10

RUTH L. BROOKS—Alexandria, Indiana

"Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward."—Heb. 10:35

POST GRADUATES

The Post Graduate Course was first offered in the school year of 1927-28. Three students enrolled for full time work, while several others took only a part of the course. The second year the number increased to five.

This year there are three taking the full Post Graduate Course—Elsie Rupp, Mary Howland, and Esther Pfund. Flora Egle enrolled for the second semester. Ruth Brooks and Cecil Davidson were graduated from the Bible Music Course in 1929 and are special graduate students.

The class, although small in number, does not lack in interest. The course offered is very practical and beneficial to any one preparing himself for Christian service.

John Hopkins once said, "A college is a log with a teacher at one end, a student at the other, and the two exchanging thoughts." This is certainly true of the Post Graduate Course. In a small class daily preparation is necessary, but this is a decided advantage at "exam" time. One student said she had more time for herself during examination week than at any other time. As well as lessening the work at the end of the term, we believe this method of preparation is more effective than a great deal of cramming.

The following lines from the members of the Post Graduate class express their appreciation:

I am very grateful to the Lord for the privilege of spending another year at the Fort Wayne Bible Training School. I have enjoyed the Post Graduate Course and feel it has been time well spent. I have received many blessings both spiritually and intellectually.—Mary Howland.

The Post Graduate year so far has been the best of any year spent in the B. T. S. As well as gaining useful head knowledge my soul has been blessed and strengthened. After being out of school a year it has been a real treat to be back.—Esther Pfund.

Memories of past years spent in B. T. S. are still pleasant, but never has the presence of the Lord been more real than while studying Missions, Philosophy, etc., of the Post Graduate Course. Many times God has been so near and filled the room with His presence that tears and praises were intermingled.—Elsie Rupp.

Jesus says, "Oh taste and see that the Lord is good." We invite you all to come and see for yourselves that the Post Graduate Course is worth while.

SENIORS

Motto—"Thy face, Lord, will I seek"—Psa. 27:8. Color—Orchid, green, silver. Flower—Sweet pea.

CLASS POEM

We're gathered here from near and far, His calling to fulfill. We're going out to work for Him, And seek to do His will.

He has a plan for every life,
We'll scatter far and wide.
For some 'twill be the foreign field,
While some at home abide.

We do not seek for earthly gain;
Our humble service give,
That some poor souls now dead in sin
Might by our efforts live.

We need not fear the long rough road,
Or dread the darkest place
That may be just awaiting us
If we but seek his face.

Chorus:

To seek His face and know his will Our purpose e'er shall be. And at the end of life's short race His blessed face to see.

-G. Mundy

SENIORS

CLASS OFFICERS

H. DALE MITCHELL, President—Ionia, Michigan

"Pray without ceasing"—
I Thess. 5:17

FRIEDA L. VAN"T HOOFT, Vice President—Muskegon, Michigan

"He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty."— Psalms 91:1

RHODA ROTH, Secretary—Grabill, Ind.

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee."—

Isa. 26:3

NORMAN ZIMMERMAN, Treasurer— Geneva, Indiana

"My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness."—II Cor. 12:9





MARTHA WILMA AMSTUTZ—Pettisville, Ohio

"That I may know him, and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death."—

Phil. 3:10

DALE H. BAGGS-Lima, Ohio

"The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me:"—Psalm 138:8

BESSIE L. BANKS—Battle Creck, Michigan

"Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to puss."—Psalm 37:5

ESTHER BANNINGA—Muskegon, Mich.

"And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and thy loved not their lives unto the death."—

Rev. 12:11

MELVENA E. BASINGER—Pandora, Ohio

"For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee."— Isa. 41:13

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PAULINE W. BECK-Piqua, Ohio

"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."—

Rom. 8:28

JULIAETTA F. BIRKEY-Pekin, Illinois

"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."—Phil. 4:13

EARL W. COX-New Carlisle, Ohio

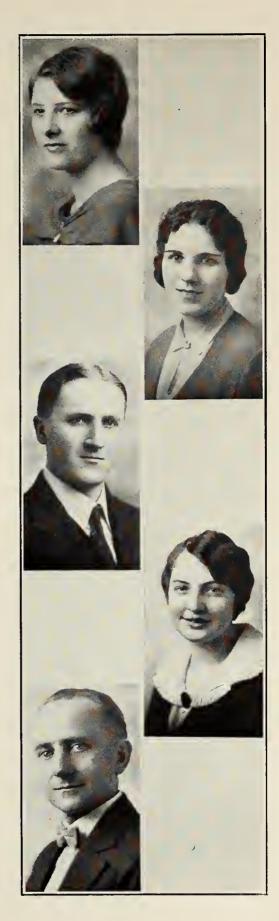
"My soul, wait thou only upon God; for my expectation is from him."— Psalm 62:5

BERNETA GLADYS DAVIS—Lima, Ohio

"Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest."—Josh. 1:9

A. M. FROESE—Fort Wayne, Indiana

"Although the fig tree shall not blossom, yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation." —Hab. 3:17, 18





CLARANCE H. FURMAN — Stillwater, Oklahoma

"For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness."

—Psalm 84:10

R. NORINE GRUMMONS—Fort Wayne, Indiana

"When he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold."—Job 23:10

NORMA HARDIN--Kewanna, Indiana

If thou caust believe, all things are possible to him that believeth."— Mark 9:23

H. DONOVAN HOSTETTLER—Findlay, Ohio

"I knew whom I have believed, and om persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day."—II Tim. 1:12

FOREST KUHN—Celina, Ohio

"Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."—Matt. 4:19

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E. MAE LOUN—Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

'I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."—Phil. 3:14

VIRGINIA M. LUNDWALL—Muskegon, Michigan

"Be still, and know that I am God."
—Psalm 46:10

PEARL L. MESHBERGER—Berne, Indiana

"Teach me thy way, O Lord."— Psalm 27:11

ANNA EVA MITCHELL—Clyde, Ohio

"That in all things he might have the preeminence."—Col. 1:18

RUTH ESTHER MORRIS-Lima, Ohio

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."—

John 3:16





EDNA GERALDINE MUNDY — East Liverpool, Ohio

"They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint."—

Isa. 40:31

MARDELL NISWANDER-Bluffton, Ohio

"I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye."— Psalm 32:8

CAROLINE NUSSBAUM—Berne, Indiana

"Feur thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness."—Isa. 41:10

ALBERT JOSEPH OYER—Fort Wayne, Indiana

"Let not your heart be troubled: ye helieve in God, believe also in me."— John 14:1

MAY A. SHADICK—Regina, Saskatchewan

"Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it."—I Thess. 5:24

DORIS SMITH-Lima, Ohio

"I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help."— Psalm 121:1

ELI G. STEINER-Woodburn, Indiana

"Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer."—Psalm 19:14

MRS. WILDAN R. TUTTLE—Omaha, Nebraska

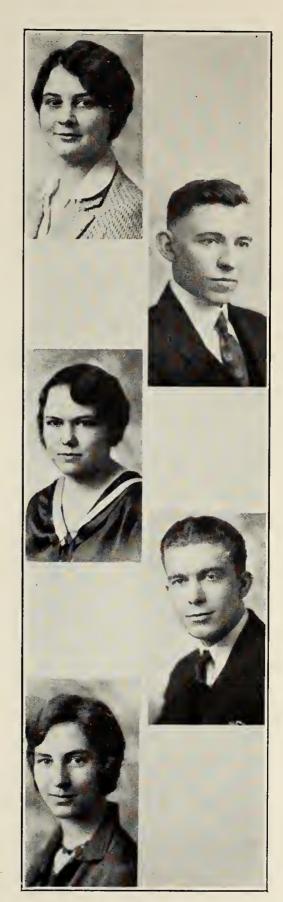
"Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."—Matt. 11:28

WILDAN R. TUTTLE—Omaha, Nebraska

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek."—Romans 1:16

HARRIETTE ANN VAN DYKE—Muskegon, Michigan

"The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him."—Psalm 28:7



CLASS OF 1930

"The Lord has done great things for us; whereof we are glad."—Psa. 126:3.

As we look back through the years and see the Lord's guiding hand directing the course of each life, we are made to praise Him anew. He who has said, "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts," has used various means in leading each one.

A number of us responded in youth to the call of the One who said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not." We are truly grateful to God for a Christian environment that influenced us to give the Lord first place, that not only the soul but the life might be saved to be used in His service. Several conversions were the direct result of mothers' prayers even though the answers were long delayed. In one instance the promise to meet his mother in heaven followed a son as he tried to run away from God. At last he found himself in Fort Wayne, where he went to a tent meeting just to pass away the time. During the altar call a worker touched a tender chord by asking him if he had a Christian mother. That night "old things passed away, and all things became new."

The sacred family altar followed another while out in sin. A dare to attend church, taken one evening while in college, resulted in a case of old fashiond con-

viction. A few days later he found peace at his bedside.

Others joined the church to justify themselves in the eyes of the world or to gain favor with God. Each time the Holy Spirit was faithful, placing within their hearts that indescribable longing to be free from all condemnation. At last kneeling by a bedside or at a mourner's bench, they "let go and let God." There they found sweet peace.

How characteristic of the world's unrest are the experiences of others among us! Dissatisfied and troubled in soul, they sought joy and satisfaction among the fleeting pleasures of time. In these cases the transforming power of God not only saved from sin but from the desire for the pleasures that last but for a season.

The Lord has wonderfully proved to us that He is not only the Saviour of the soul but the healer of the body. In one instance poor health followed a severe case of pneumonia, which at last developed into tuberculosis. She first prayed concerning small ailments and was gradually led out into the light of divine healing. At the time she was anointed she claimed for herself Isa. 53:5, "with His stripes we are healed." She was instantly conscious of the Lord's healing power, and others witnessed a physical change in a remarkably short time. "I am the Lord that healeth thee."

All of us have found the Lord to be comfort in sorrow and a present help in time of need. While in Russia, one of our members passed through experinces so strange, and distress so great that waters of sorrow seemed to dash over his head. Human comfort became meaningless. Faith mounted upward, from whence came the quieting realization that "His way is perfect." Precious it is to know the One who is able to deliver!

While each has had experiences different from all others, yet the Lord has chosen to let us all enjoy one in common—that of sweet fellowship with Him and one another in the "good old B. T. S." How we praise Him for the privilege of sitting at His feet and learning of Him, the Master Teacher. To many of us these have been the most precious years, for here lives were yeilded to His control and deeper Christian experiences realized.

Again and again throughout these years He has proved that "when He putteth forth His own sheep He goeth before them." The Lord has wonderfully supplied the needs of those who trusted Him. Phil. 4:19—has been tested and

found a safe promise on which to stand.

As we shift the responsibility of our lives upon Him, we are confident that He will continue to lead. Let us as a class be concerned that we do not fail Him, and that every one may be able to say with Paul, "I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision."

THY FACE, LORD, WILL I SEEK

"The greatest thing anyone can do for God, in the short space of life's allotted days, is to be much alone with God."

-Anon

"Thy face, Lord, will I seek"—our class motto. But, what is in a motto? Why have one?

There is little value in a motto unless we strive to put the ideal it expresses into practice in our daily lives. And a class motto is of no use whatever unless its meaning grips our hearts and we do our utmost to attain the goal it sets forth.

Look at our motto. "Thy face, Lord, will I seek." What will honor God more than to seek his face? What will make us a more powerful instrument in His hands and a greater blessing to the world? God is a rewarded of them that diligently seek Him. If we earnestly seek His face, He will prosper even the humblest service performed in His name.

This world is pleasure-mad. Sin abounds to an overwhelming degree on every hand. We can go out and preach ourselves to death, but unless we seek God's face, our labors will be of no avail. What the situation demands is men and women who have a vision of the world's need, and who will spend time on their knees before God in intercession—men and women on whom the Lord may call to "stand in the gap."

We as a class can do great things for God if we will put our motto into practice. Prayer is the power that moves the hand of God. It can almost be called a lost art, but it is an art everyone can acquire. Let us as a class from this moment on seek God's face that we may constantly be in the center of His will, and that we may have a passion for humanity as Jesus had.

It is the desire of my heart that we may each have God's best. My fellow students, may we wait day and night before Him that we may find His will for us and that we may be profitable servants. It is possible for us to have His best. All we must do is to put our motto into practice: seek God's face—and then obey. We must pray, pray, and pray. We can be an unusual class if we will pray and be yielded. We can win thousands of souls for Christ. Our lives can be a blessing in the uttermost parts of the earth. There is no reason why there cannot be some David Livingstones, some J. Hudson Taylors, some John Wesleys, or some Mary Reeds from this group. With William Carey let us attempt great things for God. We will succeed if we continue to seek His face and live close to Him.

O heavenly Father, I praise Thee for every member of this class; for the blessings Thou hast poured out upon us as we have waited before Thee and studied Thy word. I praise Thee blessed Lord, for the motto we have chosen. Wilt Thou help us to put it into practice? Make us prayer warriors, O God, above everything else. Give each one of us a greater vision of service; then lead us forth into the places where Thou wouldst have us to serve Thee and make us a mighty blessing. May Thy power be manifested throughout the world by the class of 1930, and may each one have Thy richest blessing resting upon him. Keep us true, dear Lord, and forbid that any should wander from the path of right. Keep us humble, and help us to ever seek Thy face. In Jesus name. Amen.

H. Dale Mitchell

GREEN BUDS ON THE TREE OF LIFE

"Oh! this is the street the Bible Training School is on. I wonder what it looks like?" Such was a snatch of our conversation as we turned on to South Wayne Avenue in the month of September, 1929.

We came in view of a red brick building, and we knew we had reached our destination. We were soon in the building and felt at home immediately, for the place seemed so peaceful. Humility seemed to possess every one. This, as I afterwards learned, is the true mark of Greatness in God.

Our first week of school cannot be quickly erased from our memories, for we cannot help recall how very poorly we found scripture passages and with what assurance—to our shame—we tried to answer questions difficult even for Bible teachers to solve. Nevertheless, we came with our hearts open and ready to receive the best here for us, and we have not been disappointed.

As we think of our lives and future work, let us liken ourselves to fruit as it ripens and matures. Harvest is a time of ripeness when the fruit and grain are fully developed in size and weight. Time has tempered the acid of the green fruit. It has been mellowed and softened by the rains and heat of summer. The sun has tinted it into rich colors and it has finally ripened. So we as students and Christians need to have the acid of our green fruit ripened and mellowed by the rain of tribulation and the heat of trials, and the Son of God to tint it into rich colors of experience. We realize we cannot become mellow by trying, but like the apple we know we must be still and let the weather of adversity and the valley experiences develop our lives; thus we will ripen into luscious fruit, which is always useful. Usefulness, we know, is the highest aim of every Christian.

Again let us draw a comparison of our lives with the mosquito tree which grows in Texas. It is a very slim, and willowy looking shrub, and would appear to be of little use for industrial purposes: but it has extraordinary roots growing like great timbers under the ground. These roots have great qualities of endurance and have been valued very highly as paving material. This tree reminds one of those Christians who make little show externally, but their growth is chiefly underground out of sight, in the depth of God.

Are we Christians of this sort? Are we growing in the depth of God? These questions are facing every one of us, and our much loved Bible School is helping in every possible way to enable us to answer these searching questions as the Master would have us answer them.

We are trusting that each one in the class of 1931 will be like the tree in Psalms 1:3: "and he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth fruit in his season, his leaf also shall not wither and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper."



JUNIOR CLASS

Back row (left to right)—Albert C. Eicher, Lowell Keiser, Alfred Jacob, Emery N. Masters, Everett Shumaker, Orville E. Miller, William J. Zuercher, Jasper D. Lehman.

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"Success is growing to your full spiritual stature under God's sky."—Carlyle.



Back row (left to right)—Edison Habegger, V. Odell Harrold, John Nussbaum, Clinton Moser, William D. Koehnlein, Allen Frey (deceased), Llewellyn Fleek.
 Front row—Ida Kneuss, Grace Fleek, Florence E. Powell, Violet R. Lehman, Mabel E. Wittwer, Mildred Sutter.

PREPARATORY STUDENTS

In 1908 the Preparatory Course was introduced to aid students that did not have sufficient training to pursue the study of the Bible with full profit. Now it is a "Gateway" for worthy students who have been denied a high school education to fit them for matriculation in a Bible school.

Most schools of higher learning admit only high school graduates. For this reason all the "Preps"—for so we are called—who enrolled last fall count themselves fortunate to have the opportunity of fitting themselves for their call.

With high spirits we went hopefully to our classes for the first time. Assignments were given in English I, II, III, and IV. Wholly uninitiated to this course, we wondered why it was necessary to take so much English. But when we realized that it was for our good and would enable us to express our thoughts correctly and effectively, we prepared our lessons with a mind to master them. At times, when our assignments were unusually heavy, we were inclined to feel that preparation was useless. However, such thoughts were soon banished by many helpful messages that were given at chapel. One morning a speaker emphasized the truth: "Time spent in preparation is time gained." After that we never questioned the merits of a course in preparation.

This course consists not only of studies in English, but an outlined study of the Bible, Synthetic. Occasionally this subject, because of the extent of material that it covers, is called, "The Lightning Express Through the Bible." Nevertheless, it is a source of unending interest and joy. At the close of a Synthetic class we always felt refreshed.

The Preparatory Course is not only a preparation for the regular two-year course which follows, but is a definite training in itself and applicable in our service for the Master—to teach lost humanity the way of salvation and a higher, nobler plane of living.



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Center row—A. Burtt Greiner, Jr., Mrs. A. M. Froese, Mrs. H. A. Davis, Flora Egle.

Front row—Gladys Neuenschwander, Kathryn Wagler, Marion D. Jonswold, Mary Zimmerla.

SPECIAL STUDENTS

II Timothy 2:15—"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." This is the command of God, that we as His children should have a deep and thorough knowledge of His word, and so in fulfillment of this command we are here at the B. T. S. We are all conscious of the fact that without preparation we will be of little service to Him.

There are three classes of special students. There are those who have only a limited amount of time to spend in school and for this reason choose the special course, electing those subjects which will be of most help to them. In the second class are such that enter at the second term and who can not fall into the schedule of the regular students. They choose a special group of subjects until the following semester. The third class of special students are those living in the city who are unable to attend the day sessions and who come in for the evening work only.

The advantages of being a special student are many. We are not a special group by ourselves, but we may choose either preparatory, junior, or senior subjects, thus mingling with all the students and teachers.

We are a cosmopolitan group representing many types, aims, and ambitions, but all one in Him, and with one purpose—to do the will of God. Perhaps you will wonder how we all fit into the routine of the B. T. S., but each one has found his place in the school, and feels that his studies are very helpful and profitable.

IN MEMORIAM



ALLEN FREY

Allen Frey was born in Sanilac County, Michigan, June 26, 1905. On March 20, 1930, he died as a result of a severe and sudden attack of appendicitis.

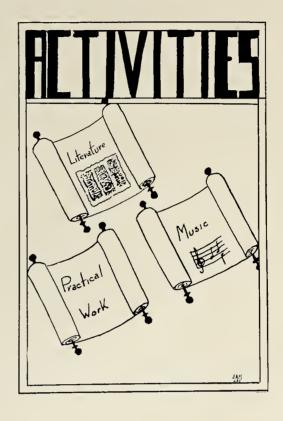
Mr. Frey was saved fourteen years ago but he later wandered from God until he was reclaimed last summer through the ministry of two of the Bible Training School students, Forest Kuhn and Harold Wiswell. He consecrated his life to God, came here to school, began his course of study, and soon proved himself to be a capable as well as willing student. During a Mission Band service on October 4, 1929, he was filled with the blessed Holy Spirit, and his face glowed with the luminous joy which is peculiar to those who know God through personal communion.

One student who knew our brother well writes, "I was intimately acquainted with Allen Frey for a number of years, and I truly cherish my memories of him for he was a Christian gentleman."

As a memorial to their late schoolmate, the students of the Bible Training School have subscribed the necessary money for the furnishing of a room in Bethany Hall. Our friend has gone from us, but we feel, and will continue to feel, the influence of his spirit of consecration in our midst. The spark which burned the incense of his life into an aroma has gone out, but the sweet savor of his godly manhood remains with us.

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EDITORIAL

What is cooperation? Webster says it is "the association of a number of persons for their common benefit; collective action in the pursuit of common well-being."

The greatest industrial revolution of all time was caused by a demand for increased production of the many modern inventions. We must not forget, however, that before they were made known to the public, they were not in demand. But incidentally, with their introduction upon the market, a knowledge of their usefulness was gained. Even though at first they were classed as luxuries, they soon became necessities as the demand for efficiency increased. So to meet these demands man has come to recognize more and more the efficacy of the principle of cooperation.

In the industrial world **cooperation** has meant the division of labor. In Henry Ford's little realm of production we have a good illustration. Each man's labor has been simplified to the production of one small part of the whole with a comparative increase in output and efficiency. These simple parts when combined generate into the complex product.

However, the principle of **cooperation** was not originated by man. God, in His infinite wisdom, was the Creator of the idea. This is illustrated first in His plan of creation and later in His plan of the redemption of mankind. In spite of His omnipotence, He solicited the **cooperation** of mankind in the completion of His plans and purposes.

In recognition of the value of this principle as illustrated by the mind of the business world and by God's wisdom, we have sought to involve it in the comparatively small task of publishing this yearbook. No one, two, or three people can be given the credit. Whatever acceptance it may find among its readers must be attributed to the cooperation of students and friends who have so generously contributed by printed matter, solicitation, subscriptions, and prayer. We therefore wish to express a hearty "thank you" to you all for your liberal cooperation and support.

V. M. L.



REMINISCENCES

LITERARY

WHAT IS LIFE?

W HAT is life?

That is a question which down through the ages, sage, philosopher, scientist, religionist—unlearned as well as learned, have endeavored to answer.

And what are some of the answers given us? One person in a despondent mood says, "Life isn't worth living." Another in a moment of so-called optimism glibbly sings:

Row, row, row your boat gently down the stream, Merrily, merrily, merrily, life is but a dream.

But—life is indeed worth living. It is more than a mere dream; it is a very tangible and serious reality.

Man has been sadly deceived as to the origin, nature, and duration of life. He has at times even tried to create life. But man cannot even create a little worm. It took the same God who created the vast universe to create the little worm in Jonah's time.

Though men cannot answer this great question, our kind, heavenly Father reveals such great truths as this unto His "babes." (Matt. 11:25) He reveals the mystery of life by explaining it has two great divisions. The one He calls time; the other He calls eternity. In dealing with the former division, time, He asks the question, "What is life?" and immediately answers it by saying, "It is even a vapor that appeareth for a little time and then vanishes away." (Jas. 4:14) O, if life ended there, what a tradegy! One is hardly prepared for his work here and time is ended. Thank God for the other division—eternity, where Jesus has gone "to prepare a place" for us. The Christian does not stop with time but crosses into eternity to ever learn and grow in the knowledge of His will. "O, what is man that Thou art mindful of Him?"

But these two abodes of life are separated by a broad, impassable gulf called death. Thank God for the Christ of the Ages, who, with His life on the Cross, bridged that awful barrier from the shores of eternity to those of time and now says, "Come unto Me and rest, walk across Me into eternal life." Yes, infinitely more than that, He says, "I will bridge across the gulf up to and into your very heart and plant eternal life within your very being." What a matchless gift! All we do to receive it is to give up sin. And as we do so the terrible "wages of death," which sin pays, is no longer our reward.

Without Christ man comes to the shoreline of time, stands and looks across the gulf into eternity. As many have failed in attempting to cross by airplane the vast expanse of water separating our continent from Europe, sinking into a watery grave, so, as man endeavors to cross from time to eternity, he falls into the awful gulf and goes down, down, down into awful darkness. Life is not found there; it is death. But the sad part is that it is a living death, death in action—never-dying souls in a never-dying death.

O, fellow-students, do we see it? Yea, Lord, we do, but engrave it upon our minds and deepen it in our hearts.

As we take Christ to those devoid of life, some of us perhaps labouring in wartorn China, some in darkest Africa, some in sin-burdened India, some in the homeland "holding the ropes," some of us to never see each other again this side of eternity, may God keep us true and faithful in our place in His vineyard to meet around His throne at the glorious harvest time.

Now, we as students stand on the threshold of our life's work, at the crossroads of choice, each leading to its respective destiny. As we choose and travel to the setting of life's sun upon our earthly horizon, may we earnestly pray, "Thy face, O Lord, will I seek, Thy leadings will I follow," ever remembering, as someone has sald, that were God to fail to keep His promises, the very earth on which we stand would crumble from beneath our feet.

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ON WRITING THEMES

Reading maketh a full man. Speaking maketh a fluent man. Writing maketh an exact man.

-Selected.

Perhaps you may have walked into the library of the Bible Training School at some time and observed some young man seated at a table. Before him lay a littered mass of paper on which he had been scratching. His mental sleeves were rolled to the elbows, and in his mouth writhed his balky pen as he tried to gnaw a few dry ideas from its much-chewed end. To all appearances he was a very much discouraged, young man. We might easily believe that he was aspiring to literary fame in his English class, for he was writing a theme.

I hear some one say, "I thought that this was a Bible School. Why have so many courses in English? Why not study the Bible only?"

There are two extreme views of almost every subject. The first suggestion has just been stated: that of Bible study minus all English courses. The second extreme will follow.

Ralph Waldo Emerson, that eminent essayist of the nineteenth century, has summarized his philosophy of beauty in the lines of his little lyric poem, "The Rhodora," in these words, "Beauty is its own excuse for being."

Art is some times defined as life in chosen terms—not necessarily pure or beautiful as some judge beauty, but nevertheless, a true picture of things as they are. There is a school of present day philosophers which claims that writing, whether it be prose or poetry, if it is highly artistic, regardless of its content material in a moral light, is commendable on the premise merely that it is artistic in form. Regardless of whether or not the entire work leads to good or evil living—for all our reading has its reflex reactions on character—if the form be beautiful the work is a commendable one. This is precisely the same attitude as was held by the esthetes of Greece in her days of highest artistic triumph. Greece loved, worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, and we read in history what she reaped for a love of material beauty only.

But you ask, and with good reason: what has all this to do with the subject, "On Writing Themes?"

It has just this much to do with the subject: 'Art for art's sake' as we so often hear the phase used, is not the primary objective at which the English department of this Bible School aims.

By this statement we do not intimate in the slightest way that we disparage the studying and reading of the finest of English literature for its intrinsic worth. We encourage it. And because we study English merely as a means to an end and do not treat it as a goal in itself does not necessitate a lack of appreciation for the best of our literature. There is a place in our scale of values for a love of the materially beautiful, but that place is far below spiritual grace and moral purity.

We feel that the primary motive for the study of English in a Bible School is to better train young people in the use of the mother tongue in order that they may both understand the meaning of the Scriptures more clearly and give out the truths they have found in as forceful a way as is possible.

As there is not sufficient time allotted in a Bible course to enter into an exhaustive study of literature, the student is referred to colleges where it is possible to take up such work. This is not the task of the Bible School. Only sufficient work is allotted to the English department to establish a firm foundation in the rudiments of our language.

We do not wish that a study of the mechanics of English—for after all, that is what teaches us exactitude of expression—should be used merely for the development of a facile imagination and ready pen; but rather that through humility we might so speak and write that all praise, honor, and glory would be given to our Father who is in heaven.

---A. C. Eicher

DAVID SHOWS THE KINDNESS OF GOD

The day was far spent. Already the night shadows had begun to darken the land of Lo-Debar. In a low cottage door a woman stood peering into the darkness. She had stood thus for some time waiting for the return of her husband and son.

Early that morning the boy with his father had taken the sheep of Machir to the mountain side, and they should have been back long before this.

As the woman stood there she heard sound of sobbing, then she saw her son coming toward her.

When Micha saw his mother he ran and threw his arms about her. "O mother," he cried, "Machir will be very cruel to father again."

"Hush, Micha," said the mother softly, "some of his servants may hear ye say that, and ye know it would be worse for us than it is if they did. Though, goodness knows, it is hard enough now."

She drew Micha down to the door step with her as she cautioned him to speak lower. "Now tell me all about it," she said. "Where is your father now?"

Choking back his sobs as best he could, he began. "We couldn't find pasture low on the mountain side so we took the sheep higher up. Every thing went well until the third hour when Father saw a restlessness in the big dog. 'Micha,' he said to me, 'there is trouble ahead!' And almost before he had finished speaking a pack of wolves had attacked the flock near the forest. The big dog after a brave battle was killed. Father blew the horn with all his might, but ye know, mother, he couldn't fight because he isn't strong enough, and his feet were so tired from coming up the mountain. All the fighting I could do was with my sling, and of course that wasn't much. We were up so high the men in the plain didn't hear the horn at first, then, when they did, it took so long for them to come that almost all the flock were killed before they came. Father went right to Machir and sent me home to ye. I know Machir will be angry with father."

As Micha finished speaking, they heard the slow dragging footsteps of his father as he came stumbling up the path. Both sprang to their feet and ran to meet him.

"O husband," his wife cried, "what did he say to ye?"

"He said I wasn't even fit to tend the sheep and was not worth taking care of. He did not pay me or the boys for our work to-day. He vowed he had lost enough by us, and I suppose he has. He said because I was lame he didn't have a thing I could do. I don't know how we'll live. The pittance Micha could make wouldn't keep us."

The wife drew them into the low room and lit a candle. "Well, never mind," she consoled her husband and son. "We have porridge for supper, and God will take care of us to-morrow."

While they were seated at the table, the sound of many feet was heard, and then, a rap on the door. The father rose and shuffeled to the door only to be met by a troop of the king's men.

"What is thy name, and whose son art thou?" the leader asked.

"I am Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan," he replied.

"We have a message for ye from King David then," the captain declared. "These are the words of the king, 'Go and fetch him.' You are to return with us to the king."

After several days journey Mephibosheth and his wife and son came into the court of David. In fear and reverence he cast himself before the king. And David said unto him, "Fear not, for I will surely shew thee kindness for Jonathan thy father's sake. And I will restore unto thee all of thy father's land; and thou shalt have servants to till the soil, and thou shalt eat bread at my table continually."

So Mephibosheth dwelt in Jerusalem and ate bread at the king's table, and wanted no more for any good thing.

—E. Baker



Tract distributors—Our missionaries in Peru—A group of S. S. teachers Orphanage group—Boys' quartette, preacher, and driver New dormitory under construction Corner stone of Bethany Hall

POWER IN PRAYER

To have power in prayer does not necessitate a long repetition of words. Christ said, "When ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do." Mohammedans pray five times daily, but it doesn't profit them.

There are four essentials to powerful praying. Prayer must be earnest, fervent, prevailing, and effective. Unless one is burdened to pray and sees the need of answered prayer, it will not be earnest. Of Jesus it is recorded, "He prayed more earnestly; and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground." Jesus' prayer was fervent as well as earnest. The fervency of His praying showed that he was under a tremendous burden. It is readily seen how earnest and fervent Daniel was for he prayed twenty-one days. He prayed until he prevailed in prayer. George Muller prayed for ten years for the salvation of some of his friends before he was finally permitted to witness their salvation. By prevailing, his prayer became effective. Another example is the importunate widow who persisted in her request until it was given her. The importunate widow did not ask something of the unjust judge which was impossible for him to give her, but only that which she had a right to ask. By her continual coming he finally became willing to grant her the request. If an unjust judge concedes to the request of an importunate widow, will not our heavenly Father answer the heart cry of His children?

Petitions must be in harmony with the will of God. The beloved disciple wrote, "If we ask anything according to his will, He heareth us." However, the human mind cannot always ascertain the inscrutable will of God. It is written, "We know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us." Only God's infinite mind knows what we should pray for, and He will lead us to pray. He will put the thought in our minds that He wishes to be expressed in prayer. God burdened Daniel to pray that his people might be led out of captivity. Daniel prayed in the Spirit according to the will of God, and his people were delivered.

Daniel was only the instrument through which the power of God passed to liberate his people. Steam is the power that drives a locomotive. A small pipe is used through which the steam passes from the boiler to the cylinders. If it were not for the small pipe, the steam would never reach the cylinders, which drive the locomotive. The intercessor is only a pipe through which the power of God passes to make things move,

Power in prayer moves God to do the impossible. When king Ahasuerus' decree was sent forth to have all the Jews destroyed, God's chosen people fasted and prayed for three days and three nights. During the third night the king slept not. Why? God's people were moving Him by prayer to retract the King's decree. The story, in the book of Esther, of God's answer to His people's prayer is well known. Through prayer George Muller moved God to supply over seven million dollars with which he built five orphanages, which sheltered twenty-one hundred orphans. For nearly two years I was in a sanitorium, hopelessly sick with tuberculosis. After being there for four months, three godly women in a distant town were burdened by the Holy Spirit to pray daily for my recovery. They prayed earnestly for six months; there was no improvement. They prayed for one year. I steadily grew worse. After twenty-one months of fervent prayer, I was instantly healed of my disease. Think of the power in such praying! It moved God to heal my emaciated body.

As the Holy Spirit prays through you, nations can be delivered; souls brought to Christ; monarchs moved to obey God; financial difficulties overcome, and the sick healed. Power in prayer moves God to action.

A. Jacob

SNATCHED FROM DEATH'S DOOR

One who has always enjoyed health cannot begin to realize what it means to be suddenly plucked out of the jaws of death and placed right into the stream of life. Could he know he would undoubtedly exclaim with the poet,

"Are things really as they seem; Or am I only in a dream?"

This was my experience when God suddenly met me after ten years of invalidity. During that time I suffered from anemia, chronic appendicitis, inside-goitre, and arthritis. My parents did all in their power to bring about a recovery, but to no avail. Suffering became intense and convulsions resulted. Hips were strapped in to keep joints in place, while the eyes were covered most of the time because of the swelling and severe pain. I took medicine twenty-two times a day, without which suffering was unendurable. The doctors said they could do nothing for me. I was facing the two worst months of the year—February and March. Oh, how could I ever pull through!

'Twas then I heard of the remarkable healings as announced over the air from the Chicago Gospel Tabernacle. I sent in my request for prayer.

On Sunday morning I heard Rev. Paul Rader sing,

"Look to the Lamb of God, Look to the Lamb of God; Jesus alone is able to save you; Look to the Lamb of God."

That was all I could understand. I changed the word "save" to "heal," knowing that the word "salvation" involved "healing." I was too ill to grasp more of the services. All that day the song rang within me, "Look to the Lamb of God, Look to the Lamb of God." And oh! I saw Jesus as I had never seen Him before,—saw Him on Calvary, suffering for me, in indescribable agony. Then I thought, didn't He suffer physically as well as spiritually that I might be healed physically as well as spiritually?

The Word gave the answer: "With His stripes we are healed," and "Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses." Jesus took my sickness as well as my sins and bore them in His own body on the cross for me, and when He said, "It is finished," my sickness as well as my sins were crucified with Him. All I had to do was to believe and receive.

At night I listened in again, hearing but one message, the song, "Oh, It Is Wonderful!" All that night and all the next day I kept praising the Lord as the song continued within—"Oh, it is wonderful, so very wonderful!"

That night a strong urge came over me, "Get out and pray."

I said, "I can't."

Time rolled on-again, "Get out and pray."

I thought, "I can pray just as well in bed. If I try to get out, I'll only faint and there will be no one to pick me up." I had been warned never to try it unless someone was near. All that night the urge to get out and pray continued. Finally at daybreak I said, "Lord, that's enough," and I got out. To my surprise, I received the strength. While thus in prayer the whole room was filled with His glory. The words came, "I am the Lord that healeth thee."

That was early Tuesday morning, February 21, 1928.

Then followed a test of faith. For five days I suffered far worse, but I didn't care for I was happy. I just kept praising Him for healing me. I couldn't do otherwise. Saturday, however, found me out walking. Praise God! I've been walking ever since.

I've never taken another drop of medicine or had my hips strapped in at any time since. I can use my eyes at will. The operation I was to undergo for appendicitis was gloriously foregone by the operation of the Holy Ghost. "The life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself for me."

Emma Vinkemulder



OUR GOSPEL TEAMS

Left to right—upper left-hand corner—Elizabeth Almen, Marguerite Steiner, Harriette Van Dyke, accompanist, Marguerite Howard, Mardell Niswander.

Upper right—Norine Grummons, Nettie Mullican, Juliaetta Birkey, Virginia Lundwall. Center, (practical work committee)—Miss Lillian Zeller, Rev. B. F. Leightner, Prof. C. A. Gerber, Mr. S. A. Witmer.

Lower left—Norman Zimmerman, H. Dale Mitchell, Harold Wiswell, Jasper Lehman. Lower right—Wildan R. Tuttle, Mrs. W. R. Tuttle, William Zuercher.

PRACTICAL WORK

GOSPEL TEAMS

The work of the gospel team is an outstanding feature of our practical service. Teams variously constituted, such as duets, trios, quartettes, are organized and sent out to witness for God in song and testimony. Often they are accompanied by a speaker. It is really team work for it is coached by the Practical Work Department, and performed in a spirit of cooperation for the glory of God. Our victories are not based upon scores in competition, but rather on souls won in loving service for Christ.

Jesus believed in "training for service and service in training." This is evident from the manner in which He directed His disciples. For three and a half years the twelve were in Jesus' training school, sitting at the feet of the master Teacher, becoming enriched as they became more intimately acquainted with Him.

After much careful instruction Jesus would send the disciples out on gospel team trips, so to speak. In this way each had an opportunity to put into practice what he had learned. Meeting with new problems which they could not solve, they would bring them to Jesus, who was always a master for the situation.

In a measure, this is what we do. We consider it an exceptional opportunity to be in a school whose motto is "Training for Service and Service in Training." In coming into contact with lost, hungry souls, one realizes that it requires more than book knowledge to be of any assistance to them. Practically every gospel team trip results in new experiences. These necessitate new thought and more prayer in order to come through more than conquerors. Some times mistakes are made which are very humiliating, but there are manifold lessons which could be learned in no other way. Then, too, there is the privilege of going over these problems and difficulties with our teachers, who are men of experience.

In choosing the twelve, Jesus challenged them to follow Him and He would make them fishers of men. Are not the terms for discipleship the same today, and the promise the same? With this confidence we are sent out, trusting Him for results.

Calls for teams come from many churches of various denominations within a radius of two hundred fifty miles. These calls for help often vary, making it necessary to adjust the personnel of the teams to meet the requirements of the entertaining churches.

The question may be raised, what are the results of such work? They are at least twofold—to those who minister, and to those to whom ministered. It would be impossible to estimate the actual benefit to students who comprise these teams.

The summary of gospel team work for the first semester of 1929-30 follows: eighty-nine services held, three hundred twenty songs rendered, thirty services addressed, and fifty-eight professed conversions. Churches of ten denominations were served in this capacity.

VISITATION

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethern, ye have done it unto me."—Matthew 25:40.

How glorious it will be when we stand before Him unshamed because we have fulfilled His commands to visit the "least of these."

The students have always done some house-to-house visitation. In the earlier years the homes for visitation were not especially selected, but in the last two years we have been able to go out under the supervision of city churches that assign homes to be visited. Through this arrangement the gospel has been taken into approximately one thousand selected, truly needy homes.

This work is carried on exclusively by young women of the school, who are sent out, two by two, some to definitely selected homes and others to every home in chosen districts.

One object of these visits is to encourage people to attend Sunday School and Church services. The primary purpose, however, is to plant the seed of the Word in the hearts of those who are hungering for the satisfying portion.

Visitation is one of the most sublime missions God has given. Through it one is able to enter the poorest hovel or the wealthiest home, and to minister to the temporal as well as to the spiritual needs of people.

Many times the hearts of the students have been made to rejoice as some sin-clouded face witnessed to the change of heart when told the story of the love of Jesus.

TRACT DISTRIBUTION

"So shall my word be that goeth forth , it SHALL NOT return unto me void "—Isaiah 55:11.

Most people little realize how many souls have been and yet will be brought to the Saviour through the reading of a gospel tract. Many times in tract distribution we can only plant the word and leave the Holy Spirit to water it and bring forth fruit for the harvest. Still at other times we have opportunity, through the passing of a tract, to witness for our Lord and point the way of salvation to a soul.

There are many instances of men and women who have been saved through the reading of a tract, and who have then gone forth to be great soul-winners. Let us look at two of these. J. Hudson Taylor was converted through the reading of a little tract which he found in his father's office. He later founded the great China Inland Mission which has been the means of salvation to thousands of souls. In 1819 a young physician in New York read a tract on missions which resulted in his spending thirty-six years on the field as a medical missionary. The outcome was the famous missionary family of Scudders, who have thus far given to India five hundred twenty-nine years of service.

In our tract work we go as Jesus sent his disciples, two and two. We visit the Saturday night rendezvous of unchristian men and boys, bowling alleys, pool rooms, soft (?) drink parlors and gambling houses. For the sake of convenience we have divided the city into four sections. We cover a different one of these each week.

Even in these haunts of vice and sin we find those who, down deep in their hearts, long for something better. Thus we have opportunity of supplying that something—the gospel in tract and testimony to hundreds who doubtless never go to church, and would otherwise never be reached with the gospel message.

In the school year of 1928-29 we distributed approximately five thousand tracts. Each of these silent messengers contains one or several passages of God's Word. True, many of these are never read, but one J. Hudson Taylor or Dr. John Scudder, or even one live, active Christian convert in the home land would repay us a hundred-fold for all our time and effort.

STREET MEETINGS

Another fruitful activity of our practical work is the street meeting. These are held in the fall and spring when the weather permits. They afford splendid opportunities for students to witness for Christ to many souls who probably never attend church services. It is tragic but true that many people have become dissatisfied with the lifelessness of churches and withdrawn from them. These as well as other classes of hungry souls can often be touched by a message in song supported by the baby organ, a personal testimony, or a simple gospel message proclaimed on the street corner.

Much interest in these open air services is manifested by the student body. Despite the often inclement weather, Saturday evening finds students loading the gospel bus to capacity, and others boarding the street car, street-meeting bound.

God blesses our efforts in unusual ways. Every night, with but one exception, that street meetings were held this year, there were those who apparently prayed through to victory. It was a common occurrence to see students kneeling in prayer with seekers on the sidewalk.

Only our heavenly Father has the true record of the results of all these meetings. Praise Him for an opportunity of representing Him on the busy city streets.

"Where cross the crowded ways of life, Where sound the cries of race and clan, Above the noise of selfish strife, We hear Thy voice, O Son of Man!"—North.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHING

"The temple the teacher builds Will last while the ages roll, For that beautiful unseen temple Is a child's immortal soul."

Realizing the truth of these lines and how the Scriptures magnify the office of teaching, many students of the Bible Training School are sent out each Sunday either to conduct schools or to teach classes in the city churches and missions.

As builders of life with these precious living stones placed in our care for a short time each week, we try to lead the scholar into confession of Christ as his Saviour, and into a definite Christian life where he may "grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." In all our teaching we endeavor to give Christ the preeminence, to lift Him up as a perfect Saviour, and to magnify and honour His precious name.

Fifteen students are in charge of the Sunday School held each Sunday afternoon at the County Children's Home. Upon the arrival of the B. T. S. bus, a number of little faces are seen pressed against the window panes in an effort to catch a glimpse of the teachers. Even the smallest children look forward to the Sunday School hour. Their little hearts seem hungry to hear of Jesus, the Friend of children. The teachers take their places in a bright spacious room, where chairs and benches have been arranged. Then come the boys and girls, most of them wearing a smile. In talking with the matrons, we find that very few of these children are real orphans. The parents of most of them have been divorced and the little ones placed in this home. How our hearts are saddened as we notice some dear little girl or boy who has been blighted by sin, and for whom no one but God seems to care. We are reminded of Psalm 27:10, "When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up."

Everyone enters into the singing with all his heart and voice. Prayer is offered by one of the teachers asking wisdom and guidance from God in teaching the lesson of that day. Each class goes to its respective place, and the lesson is taught with the sincere desire to point the child to Christ, the One who cares for him. The teachers try to bring a message of comfort and cheer to these unfortunate little ones, whose hearts readily respond to Him who said, "Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not."

It is a joy to see how fondly these little ones cherish the small papers they receive. They scan them for a picture or a story of Jesus. The last few minutes of the hour are devoted to a short talk given by the Superintendent or one of the teachers, to the whole school. After a short prayer is offered, teachers and scholars part for another week.

There are three other Sunday Schools of which the students have sole charge, namely, Sunny Side, Anthony Wayne, and Oak Grove. A Christian lady in the new suburb, Sunny Side, very kindly opened her house to us for Sunday School. This school has been on the increase both in number and interest since the very beginning. We are looking forward in prayer to God for a mission or church building in this district. These other two schools are held in school houses just outside the city limits.

Students also teach classes in the Grace Reformed Church, the Pilgrim Holiness Church, and the Missionary Church Mission.

What a privilege and opportunity is ours to bring to so many, glad tidings of great joy.



Left to right—Prof. C. A. Gerber, instructor in voice; Mrs. J. Gerig, assistant instructor in voice; Mildred Leightner, accompanist; Prof. Raymond Weaver, instructor in piano.

MUSIC

STEPS AND HALF-STEPS IN THE BIBLE-MUSIC COURSE

Music is ancient. Genesis 4:21—"And his brother's name was Jubal: he was the father of all such as handle the harp and organ." The schools of the prophets cultivated music as a preparation of the mind to receive spiritual influences. David introduced music into the worship at the sanctuary.

Music is not only magnified in the Bible, but it has also a large place in our worship and devotion to God. In out times it is also widely used as a means of evangelism, for many souls are touched through music that would not be won otherwise. Since it has such a vital place in our religious life, the study of music was introduced into the curriculum of the Bible Training School.

The first one to teach in the School was Mrs. J. E. Ramseyer; she taught piano and voice in 1904-06. In 1907 she taught the piano students, and Prof. Edwin J. Germann taught those taking voice. Prof. Mark Evans taught both piano and voice in 1908-09. In 1909 Notation, General Chorus, Conducting, and Sight-reading were introduced as subjects and have been continued to the present time.

Last, but not least, of all, our very efficient vocal teacher is Prof. C. A. Gerber. Many times has he cheered our hearts, and his life has been a great blessing to us. He came in the fall of 1911. Prof. Holsworth taught piano in 1911-12; Miss M. E. Orniciffe from 1913-15; Mrs. Stella Bixel Marshall from 1916-17; Miss Laure Amstutz in 1918; Miss Esther Pohlmann during 1919-21. Miss Pohlmann left school in 1921 and Miss Ruth Heber finished the term's work. Mrs. Rosina Ramseyer Parlee taught from 1922-28.

The interest for music in the B. T. S. has been continually rising, especially with the last three years. Prof. Raymond Weaver came to the school in 1928 and is teaching at the present time. He is an efficient, capable and helpful piano teacher.

Every one appreciates his extraordinary ability, and he has worked hard to cultivate the talent entrusted to him. The music courses under Professors Gerber and Weaver have grown, and much has been accomplished within the last few years.

Music has had a place in the curriculum from the very beginning. Private voice and piano, classes in theory, chorus, sight reading, conducting, harmony, and composition have been given. Only within the past twelve years—since 1918—has there been a special course for those who wish to devote more time to music. So the Bible-Music Course was established.

Too much stress cannot be laid upon the importance of music as a medium for the propagation of the gospel. Therefore, as Christians, we should use music as God intended that we should, and wholly consecrate it to His service. The course was not given merely that students might appreciate good music, but mainly to impress on them the sacredness of this gift entrusted to them and to fit them to sing and play in such a manner as best to carry the blessed message.

Several times during the year programs are given by students of voice and piano in the chapel. These programs were introduced by Professor Gerber. The students who listen enjoy these programs, but I think those who play and sing enjoy them more. They are exciting as all student programs are! They do help to show the effort put forth in hard work from day to day.

At the close of every school year a musical program is given by the entire student body. The first annual program was given in 1910, and ever since they have grown more interesting. They are generally held the last Wednseday night of the school term. These programs consist of piano and voice numbers given by the more advanced students and also choir and chorus numbers by the entire school.

We feel that the B. T. S. is very fortunate in having such a well-balanced Bible-Music Course with capable instructors. We bow before God with humble hearts and consecrated lives that He may use our talents to honor and glorify Himself.

Despite the fall of Babel in ages far away
Which left the speech of nations confounded in a day,
One tongue escaped the judgment that thrust the race apart
It was the speech of music—the language of the heart.

No matter where you wander on journeys hard and long, None needs that you should teach him the spirit of a song. No matter where you meet him, or what may be his land, Speak to his soul in music and he will understand.

COMPANIONS IN PRACTICE

It was a late September afternoon toward the close of the first week of school—a most interesting week. It is always interesting to peer out of one's little corner, to look around at the wide world, and to realize there are other fields to explore, other things to learn, and other friends to make; and it's all so new and strange. It's satisfying to learn new names, to become acquainted, and to find that there are good Christian young people in Illinois as well as in Ohio; and it is pleasant to learn that people from Michigan can really be as interesting as those from Indiana! If there are lonesome feelings in some hearts, they quickly vanish, for they are only a small part of the first week of school.

The second week begins, and with it begins study and practice. It does mean work to be in school if one is to learn something. This is the time to learn to study seriously, and to practice faithfully.

Practice! To so many people that word brings memories of the time when they were small, and an exacting parent kept them at the piano while the sun was shining, and the boys were playing marbles outside. Oh, what drudgery then! But the second week of school comes:

"I had my first piano lesson today, and I never felt so small. I'm just beginning to see how little I know about music. I wish I had practiced more when I was a youngster and had so much time. It means more work now," was one music student's first impression, expressed to her chum, who was also a beginner in the Bible-Music Course.

The second girl remarked, "That's true, isn't it? And did you hear how many hours we are expected to practice every day?"

"About three."

"Yes," was the answer, "so the catalogue says, but Mr. Weaver says four hours."

"Four hours in one day! And to think one of the Bible students said to me last night that I should be glad I was a music student because we have it so easy!"

These two Bible Music students, just starting out on the long journey of four hours' practice in one day, besides classes, studies, and innumerable other duties, soon find out it isn't so easy! They soon learn that it takes many weeks and some times months of persistent practice every day to master a Bach or a Mozart. They find out, too, that they are expected to learn more than reveries and flowery "pieces."

It's not all work and no play, for once in a while come those wonderful evenings when they can go to a good concert and hear an artist sing or play. They then come back with a wider vision of the possibilities of achievement, and return to work just a little harder than before.

They will always remember the first time Mr. Gerber said, "Now I think we'll have you conduct for us today. Just come right up on the platform."

Tremblingly the one called on walks up on the platform and grasps the baton. There never was a gentler teacher than Mr. Gerber, and it is impossible to remain ill at ease very long. And soon the audience is really singing! Aftr a few similar

experiences, conducting comes to mean more than down-left-right-up. It means making the audience see the message in the song, carrying them along by the rhythm of the music, and helping them to sing from their hearts the words of praise, "to Him from whom all blessings flow."

Sometimes it might seem that Notation and Sight-Reading classes are a waste of time. But they aren't, for

> "Notes and rests, and sharps and flats All seem such simple things; But think of all the music that Such small notation brings!"

That view makes commonplace things appear in a different light, and the uninteresting details become intensely interesting when they are seen as a means to an end, which is to create music.

General Chorus means real work and real pleasure when the students study the "Hallelujah Chorus" and other classics that are really worth while, along with our well-loved hymns.

Just wait until the second year of school when these two music students study Harmony and begin struggling with chords and diminished sevenths! We hope it will be easy for them.

Bible study and Christian fellowship in and out of classes make the course seem more dear to the student. No matter how well one plays with the fingers, the seat of music is in the heart; and a sincere, true-hearted Christian will lend the music a spiritual touch that cannot be gained from anything but a love for God's Word and a desire to use every talent for His service.

The evening of the May recital had come. After it was all over, the same two music students were earnestly talking together.

"Do you know, this has been a lovely year for me. Many days I couldn't practice four hours a day, and some days not even three or two hours, but I've enjoyed every day of this year."

"And I haven't been as faithful either as I might have been, but next year I'll do better. All the teachers have been faithful in helping us, haven't they? And now in a few days this school year will be over, but—hasn't it been wonderful!'

"The four necessities of life are food, shelter, raiment, and music."

A youngster once asked Mozart to show him how to compose. The master replied, "You are too young to compose."
"But you composed when you were a mere infant!"

"True; but I did not ask any one to show me how!"



Mission Band Officers (left to right) Back row—Geraldine Mundy, Albert J. Oyer, Elsie Faye Rupp, Albert C. Eicher, Mardell Niswander. Front row—Eli G. Steiner, Rev. B. F. Leightner, Dale H. Baggs.

MISSIONARY

MISSION BAND

The Mission Band is an organization in the school for the promotion of missionary spirit. The first meeting of the Band twenty-five years ago displayed a warmth of spirit, which has not diminished through the passing of the years.

For several years the speakers at these meetings were students. Sometimes reviews of great missionaries or of particular fields were given. A few times debates and extemporaneous speeches were featured. After a time the student program gave way to addresses by returned missonaries and home mission workers.

By stereopticon views some missionaries transplant the land of their adoption into our little chapel and we see for ourselves the pain, the sorrow, the suffering, the emptiness of the heathen heart without a Saviour. We feel anew the force of the command of Christ, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel."

The Mission Band services have a definite place in the hearts of the students. We look forward to each service because God always meets us. Some of the students have received definite calls while listening to a missionary tell of a needy field.

The purpose of the organization is not only that we ourselves might be fed the bread of life, but that we might send the Gospel Story into heathen lands. The only way in which this can be done is by placing our own representatives on the foreign field. In order to support a missionary offerings must be taken. In the earlier years the offerings were small. But when it was learned that we could have our own representative the students began paying most of their tithes to the Band, and many sacrificed from their meager supply. The offerings steadily increased until the students were able to support a missionary. In the year of '25-'26 the Band chose Mr. Clayton Steiner, a former student of the school, as their representative.

One night in January of 1928 tears of sorrow at parting were stayed by tears of joy at service as Mr. and Mrs. Steiner gave their farewell messages. Not long afterward final good-byes were said and the Mission Band representative and his companion were on their way to Peru, South America.

Until last year a new motto was chosen with every new term. Though the various mottoes were good, we felt we should have one we could look back to in future years. After many suggestions were submitted, the final choice was made. The permanent motto became "Ambassadors for Christ." God grant that we may always live true to our motto.

When we stand before God, I believe we shall know that many souls have been born into the kingdom because of the Mission Band,

THE MISSIONARY

Missions began in the heart of God when He foreordained the redemption of mankind and gave Christ Jesus to be the spotless Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. God was the first Giver, the first Sender, and Jesus Christ, the only given Saviour, the Sent one, God's only begotten Son. Now we have a Saviour, a Redeemer, and a Good News to proclaim.

Let us consider the challenge and the nature of service that a missionary is called to perform in a strange land amidst strange gods and evil spirits. In the face of many other so-called gods, the God of Abraham must hold with him an undisputed right and place in all religious things, and be to him the supreme and only God. "He is the God of wonders," should be the message. The worker must testify that God in Christ reconciled the world unto Himself. He proclaims Christ as the only Saviour of men even though his hearers know of other so-called incarnations. In the name of God in Heaven he speaks, and being sent by God in obedience to Christ's last command, he has confidence in His message. We dare not question the authority and divinity of Christ if we would take any ground from the devil's territory. In this respect I am so oft reminded of Rev. Dinwiddie's emphasis of the words of Jesus, "ALL POWER is given unto me in heaven and in earth."

Further, he, the God-called missionary, has a friend in the enemy's camp in the person of the Holy Spirit, who applies the truth to the hearers. The Spirit of God witnesses to every heart of the truths of righteousness, of faith in Christ, and of coming judgment.

The missionary is to do the work of an apostle of God. He therefore needs to be a man of prayer. He must take time for the fragrance of the presence of his Master to rest upon him. He must take sufficient time to read the vision clearly, so that "he may run that readeth," and not forget the plan of Jesus or the mind of the Spirit. The men and women who have moved India were those who have had intimate dealings with God and who prayed until they prevailed. You too can be a prayer intercessor as they.

The early missionaries did not serve tables, but they spent most of their time in the ministry of the Word. The Apostle Paul preached the word, "not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power." (I Cor. 2:4) The ministry of the Word includes the preparation, delivery of the message, and the instruction of disciples. Considering the importance of this latter phase of his ministry, it is readily recognized that more time is required for it than for any other.

The Apostle Paul witnessed with great joy as well as great care the spread of the gospel throughout all the province by the church of Achaia. This is the normal way of spreading the gospel, by the witnessing and gossiping of the gospel by believers to their neighbors. The Apostle Paul took every opportunity, every where, in every circumstance, in honor, in dishonor, on land and on sea, of diffusing the knowledge of Jesus to all classes of people; insomuch that he could say that he was free from the blood of all men.

Paul was stirred to missionary activity through vision. He obeyed the heavenly vision on the road to Damascus, and he was directed to Europe by the Macedonian vision. At the end of his earthly pilgrimage he saw the vision of the reward that the Righteous Judge would give him at the Last Day. Two visions are ever evident in a missionary's life, the vision of Jesus and the vision of lost souls.

We find Paul at the end of his career forsaken by men and alone. We must not get discouraged if men do not see the value of our service, for their eyes are blinded as to eternal issues and glories. Paul was not lauded by men, but God will express His appreciation by an incorruptible crown. "They that sow in tears shall reap in joy," and "they that turn many to righteousness shall shine as the stars forever and ever." Paul was not only unpraised but held in disrepute and scorned by the wise of this world. He was unaided at times, but the Lord stood with him. He was unasked for by many, yet he hesitated not to preach "Christ and Him crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block, and to the Gentiles foolishness." The other day a man told us, "Your preaching of sin and righteousness was good, but why do

you mix Jesus Christ into your sermon?" But like Paul, we must not only profess, but know Him, believe Him, obey Him, and follow Him, and with Paul determine not to know anything among men save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified.

Yours for Christ, India Tilman Amstutz

THE FIVE O'CLOCK MEETING

One of the great essentials to Christian service is forming the habit of a prayer life. In this respect this institution has carefully provided for the devotional culture of its students. Several devotional periods which are in the regular schedule are set aside each day: quiet hour before breakfast, chapel service in mid-morning, and evening worship. Besides these scheduled periods for prayer and devotion the students have set aside a half hour before supper for missionary intercession and personal requests.

In previous years the missionary prayer meeting was held at noon, but on account of the change in our schedule this year it was found feasible to combine this with our group meetings at five o'clock. The boys gather in the Administration building and the girls in Bethany Hall. Our prayer leaders are appointed for one month to lead one night of each week. The schedule is so arranged that in one week all parts of the world are reached by prayer. The first five minutes are used in presenting requests for the field which is represented on that night, and for personal requests; the remainder of time, in intercession.

These meetings have been the means of broadening and deepening our missionary vision. We no longer see only the need at home, but our hearts go out in intercession for those in other lands.



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Fellowship Circle Officers (left to right)—Rev. W. O. Klopfenstein, Mr. Armin C. Steiner, Miss Susie Guiff, Mr. Ernest Zehr, Mr. Carl Parlee.

"THE TIE THAT BINDS"

A few short years and student life at the Bible School is a matter of history! Throughout his school days the student is sheltered by a unique spiritual environment and lives in a little world apart, whose atmosphere is fragrant with sympathy, courtesy, and grace. During these years, he learns something of the joyous art of cooperation with others in preparation for a life task. His chaotic religious ideas are gradually crystallized into positive Christian ideals. His entire life is stabilized as it is aligned with the will of God. His experience is immeasurably enlarged and incalculably enriched as he discovers the secret of finding himself as he loses himself in fellowship with Christ in suffering and service. His fellow students have gone each to his own way, and he begins to appreciate, as he could not heretofore, his responsibility as an individual to convey the Gospel message to an unsympathetic world.

Our student suddenly finds himself, diploma in hand, removed from the hallowed precincts of the school of the prophets, thrust into an environment that is lonely, uncongenial, and foreign to grace. He longs to release the cumulative inspiration of student years, but the very magnitude of the task overwhelms him. The world is so indifferent to his message. Perhaps he is a bit lonely, too, and discouraged, but he recalls that his former colleagues are similarly situated in this and other lands. Through class letters and the alumni magazines he learns that his companions in tribulation are many. He remembers the ideals which were bequeathed to him by the Bible Training School. He is determined to incarnate those ideals and to proclaim God's message at all costs. He dare not fail.

It must not be inferred, however, that our student has suddenly attained to the summit of Scriptural knowledge; or that, by rowing his little barque through a Bible Training School curriculum, he has circumnavigated the universe of truth. He has only begun. He has merely learned how to use in some measure the Bible as the key to every life problem. And he has discovered that it is only as he lives and labors under the anointing of the Holy Spirit that he can enjoy in any degree the approval of the Lord, whose ambassador he is.

And thus time hastens toward eternity! Each year the Bible Training School has made a distinct contribution to the interests of our Master's kingdom in the trained and consecrated groups of young people who have gone forth. Many of the former students and graduates have served with distinction and bear the scars of many battles. Some have gone to China, India, Africa, South America, Cuba, and Hawaii, as well as to the Jews and American Indians of our own land. Others are strengthening the home base as pastors, evangelists, teachers, city mission and Sunday School workers. Still others have returned to the regular walks of life better fitted to minister in their homes and churches. Year by year these consecrated groups have gone forth with but one message—"the glorious Gospel of the blessed God." Streams of blessing have thus encircled the earth. Indeed, an angel could easily find his way around the world by the light of living sacrifices whose fires were kindled at the Bible Training School.

Now arises this question: What tie binds this scattered host to their hearth and home? As the devout Jews, though scattered far and wide, instinctively turned toward Jerusalem, so the members of this globe-girdling fellowship return, in person perhaps, but more frequently, in spirit, to the Bible Training School, their Bethel, the place where they learned to know the Word of God, and better still, the God of the Word.

Unlike secular institutions which maintain pretentious alumni associations, the Bible Training School cannot boast of a worldly-wise organization. Nor would she choose to do so, for her interests are best promoted through the influence of those whose torches were lighted at its altars, and who,

"Though sundered far, Meet round one common mercy seat."

And who can say that the Bible Training School is not justified of her children? With few exceptions, it may be said that her sons and daughters are adorning the Gospel they have learned to love.

With a view to fostering interest in, and loyalty to, the school, and in order to "maintain and promote the fellowship of its students and workers, both past and present," an organization known as "The Fellowship Circle" came into being in May, 1916. The motto, I John 1:3, defines its purpose and scope of effort. There are now nearly six hundred names on the mailing list of "The Fellowship Circle Bulletin," the official organ of the Circle. Some years ago the Circle through its treasury aided needy students. More recently it sponsored the purchase of a Gospel truck and contributed substantially toward the erection of a new building, Bethany Hall, which was dedicated in March of this year.

And what shall we say of the future? How can the influence of the Fellowship Circle be extended? It goes without saying that each of us must endeavor always to maintain the high Christian standard that has characterized the school since its inception. Each of us must strive conscientiously and consistently to exemplify those ideals in his own sphere of service. Anything less than his best is unworthy of a Bible Training School alumnus. Moreover, let each member bear in mind his oft forgotten obligations to the Circle of which he is a member: information concerning changes of address; regular payment of subscriptions to "The Bulletin;" an annual offering and an occasional article for publication. Again, each of us ought to encourage and if possible, aid other young people to enter training for Christian service. Finally, let us pray for one another as fellow warriors in a common cause. Let us pray for the work of the school and for the enlargement of its borders. If every member of the Circle will thus bestir himself, we shall witness not only an enlargement and enrichment of individual life and ministry, but of our corporate ministry as well. And who can estimate the results for eternity of such wholehearted devotion to imperishable ideals?

W. O. Klopfenstein, Class of 1922

THE THRILL OF EXPECTANCY

Every student felt a thrill of joy on registration day when he was told that the initial service of the year was to be a ground-breaking service for the erection of Bethany Hall.

I could hardly wait until the evening shadows fell and it was time for the service to begin. At last the time came and I hastened to the grounds. There I found the area on which the building was to stand, roped off. A large crowd had already gathered. Sweet strains of music came to me over the heads of the people, and I made my way to the west end of the plot in order that I might better see what was going on. There under the light of two powerful electric bulbs I saw Professor Gerber directing an orchestra.

After the orchestra had played two numbers, Rev. David Roth of Grabill and Mr. C. C. Welty of Fort Wayne, trustees of the School, prayed.

Rev. J. E. Ramseyer then read II Kings 6:1-7 and commented on it. (How good it was to hear him speak again!) He showed four ways in which the present conditions were similar to those in II Kings 6. "First, a school of prophets. Second, the need of larger quarters. Third, a willing people to cooperate. Fourth, the seal of God upon the project."

As Mr. Ramseyer finished speaking, some one brought two spades. I noticed that almost all of the crowd were on their tiptoes to see what was going to happen. Mr. Ramseyer took one spade and Mr. S. A. Lehman the other, and they began to dig. After several spades full of earth had been removed, the orchestra again played. Dean Leightner dismissed the meeting with prayer.

I went back to my room. I was happy beyond words to think that our new building had already been started.

The work progressed rapidly. About the last of October it was announced that the following Sunday, on the twenty-seventh, the corner stone would be laid.

Sunday came bright and fair. Soon after two o'clock I went to the First Missionary church, where the first part of the program was to be held. The crowd gathered rapidly and the house was filled when Rev. J. E. Ramseyer began to speak. He gave an interesting history of the School, telling of its beginning at Bluffton, O.

Rev. B. G. Smith spoke on "Our Privilege in Sharing," and was rewarded by an offering in pledges and cash to the amount of eleven hundred dollars.

After the service in the church we all went across the street to the new building site. A large platform had been erected to accommodate those who were to have part in the laying of the corner stone.

Rev. B. F. Leightner, who was presiding at the service, spoke briefly, showing us the significance of the laying of various corner stones in Bible times.

Every thing was ready for the laying of the stone. As usual I was where I could see very well. After our President took the trowel and laid the mortar, Mr. Lehman and Mr. Von Gunten lifted the corner stone into its place. Two songs were sung by a men's chorus, and Rev. J. Hygema closed the service with prayer.

As I started back to my room, I joined a group of girls who were discussing the services. Every one was happy to know that such definite advancement had been made, and we began to look forward to the time when we should occupy the new building.

AFTER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS

"O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good."—Psa. 107:1.

Ours was the privilege on March 23 of witnessing a long anticipated event—the dedication of Bethany Hall. We unite in thanksgiving for this occasion, made possible through prayer. Thus has our heavenly Father manifested His approval of the School's twenty-five years of fruitful service. March 18-23 was the time set apart for the commemoration of these years.

Many friends rejoiced with us as they passed from room to room during "open-house" hours. We feel confident the sentiment of all was expressed by the one who said, "Bethany Hall is beautifully furnished and occupied."

We were privileged to have a number of well-known men of God with us who ministered in power from the Word. Rev. L. H. Ziemer of Toledo, Ohio was one of the principal speakers. His messages were characterized by earnestness and depth of spirituality. In the opening service he answered the questions facing the world today: "What will restore this earth to its pristine glory? Isn't there some way out of the dilemma? Will the League of Nations succeed? Will democracy save the world? The Scriptures alone reveal the way of the distress of sorrow, sin, and strife. Jesus alone can save the world and make it a fit place to live in as He comes in glory to rule with a rod of iron."

His addresses were brought to a climax by his message, "Satan's Masterpiece." Appalling, yet true, are the statements: "Every modernistic preacher and advocate of higher criticism is a fore-runner of Antichrist and is hastening his coming. Everywhere faith is being undermined by these leaders. They are helping in the damnation of souls for whom Christ died!" Is not this a challenge for us that we "earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints?"

Dr. John Paul of Taylor University used Psa. 119:130 as the basis for his address. "Man cannot find God with a telescope, neither with mathematics, books, reasoning, nor arguments. Man cannot find God unless God finds him. Man cannot climb up to God; God has to come down and get him." How wonderful that the Creator of the universe should reveal Himself to man through His Word! May our sincere purpose be not only to know about Him but to truly know Him, "whom to know is life eternal."

During the ministry of Rev. A. C. Snead, Foreign Secretary of the Christian and Missionary Alliance, we were conscious of the fragrance of the Rose of Sharon. "A glimpse of Jesus will give life, but one must gaze on Him to be like Him." Surely one so like the Master in meekness and humility must have become so by close communion with Him. Rev. Snead's sermons were a series on "A Fulfilled Ministry," based on II Timothy 4:5. We were again reminded that if our message is to be effective it must show forth the life that is in Christ Jesus and present men face to face with Him. It is not only the duty of the preacher to preach the Word but every child of God should go about heralding the glad tidings of salvation.

Sunday was the crowning day of the week. Following the afternoon service at the First Missionary Church, students and friends gathered on the campus as our president, Rev. J. E. Ramseyer, reverently dedicated Bethany Hall in prayer.

Rev. C. L. Eicher of Chicago brought our Anniversary services to a close. Again we who have the truth at our disposal were urged to be faithful in testimony and prayer if we would help stem the tide of atheism. Unknown and unopposed by many, its subtle and undermining influences are now set in motion even in our own fair land.

Should not we, as students, be deeply grateful to God for an institution where our faith may be firmly anchored in the Rock of Ages? "God bless the good old B. T. S." is our earnest prayer. May we ever be true to the faith of our fathers, for which she stands.

DEDICATORIAL ADDRESS

REV. A. C. SNEAD

Again, we speak on the general theme—a fulfilled ministry; this afternoon on the blessing and the glory of a fulfilled ministry. Turning our thoughts for the central message to the first part of Romans 15:29, Paul says to the church at Rome, "And I am sure that, when I come unto you, I shall come in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ.".....

Then he says, "I come unto you." After all, that is one of the essential elements of ministry, man going to man; woman going to woman; the individual that has seen Jesus Christ going to other individuals that have not as yet seen Him and telling them by their transformed lives and their glorious testimony of Jesus, who is able to save and deliver.

Not only do you see Christ in Paul's life and in Paul's message, but in Paul's ministry, for no man can adequately reveal Christ's life save as Christ lives in him and lives through him in his ministry.

Turning from the blessing for a little—don't lose the blessing—but let us see the glories. We are about to dedicate through the grace of God a building for the service of God, and that building will be of the utmost value only as it is a sanctuary of God's glory. It isn't the building God wants to fill, it is the human life. Let us pray that every room will be filled with the presence of God and every life a sanctuary of God's dwelling.

When the Israelites were traveling through the wilderness, God said, "I would like to dwell in your midst. Build me a tabernacle." We have this testimony of the building of the tabernacle, "Then a cloud filled the tabernacle. And Moses was not able to enter into the tent of the congregation, because the cloud abode thereon, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle."

And then we turn over from the tabernacle of the wilderness journeys, and we see established in their kingdom first David, then King Saul, and later his son, Solomon. "And Solomon built a house for the Lord, and finished it." "Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of the congregation and dedicated the house." And it says, "That the cloud filled the house of the Lord."

Then we look into the future a bit. We see from the Word that we have yet to see the temple of the Millenial Age, according to God's plan and under God's orders. We read this glorious testimony concerning the temple in the Word of God, "Then he brought me to the door of the gate of the Lord's house. I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and it had brightness round about it. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord." "The spirit took me up and brought me into the inner court."

Thank God, we don't have to stand outside for these visions. The spirit of God will pick you up and take you into the inside. . . . Then again God spoke to him. Oh, that we might in these days, when the world is rushing on, have such a vision of God and let God speak to our hearts, that we would forget even the temple, forget the symbols of worship, just see and hear His voice and go out in the glory of that spirit where we can look up and see Jesus.

May I call your attention to Psalm 72:18, 19. "Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things. And blessed be his glorious name forever; and let the whole earth be filled with his glory; Amen and Amen."..... The brethren have labored for the building of the house. The contractors and workmen have followed the plans of the architect, and many friends have given for the paying for the house, but in it all and through it all the benefits and blessing of Bethany Hall will be because of the blessing of the gospel of Christ which flows into it and in the blessing of Christ which flows out in service.

OUR ALUMNI

CLASS OF 1909

Artus, Mrs. August (Martha Leichty)—Upland, Calif.
Bowen, Nellie—Died in Chi Kong Shan, Central China, as a missionary.
De Garmo, Mary—Missionary, Tsao Hsien, Shantung, N. China.
Gautschy, Alfred H.—Preacher and farmer, Hayes Center, Neb.
Herr, Walter S.—Farmer; former missionary; Denair, Calif.
Hirschy, Mrs. William (Matilda Lehman)—Phoenix, Ariz.
Oyer, Lydia—Domestic employee, Sterling, Kan.
Pearson, Anna—Glanham, S. Dak.
Perfield, Mrs. J. W. (Edith Heffelfinger)—Gary, Ind.
Quince, Dersie—Professional nurse, Fort Wayne, Ind.
Regier, John R.—Pastoor of U. B. Church, Modesta, Calif.
Regier, Mrs. John R. (Addie Roth)—Pastor's wife, Modesta, Calif.
Sharp, Mrs. George (Mary E. Amstutz—Deceased.
Smoots, Affie—Missionary, Yema, Congo Belge, W. C. Africa.
Sprunger, Agnes—Missionary, Charlesville, Congo Belge, W. C. Africa.
Thiessen, Henry C.—Dean of Evangel University, Jersey City, N. J.

CLASS OF 1910

Gautschy, Mrs. A. H. (Katherine Schiedegger)—Hayes Center, Neb. Goosen, Helena-Missionary, Kitui, Kenya Colony, S. Africa. Geyser, Mrs. John (Clara Gratz)—At Home, Bluffton, Ohio. Janzen, John H.—Mechanic and Christian worker, Springer, N. Mex. Locker, Mrs. Anton (Martha Kienitz)—Missionary to Hopi Indians, Ariz. Neufeld, Mrs. (Wilhelmine Boehnke)—Deceased. Witmer, Samuel R.—Employee in factory, Grabill, Ind.

CLASS OF 1911

Baltzer, Mrs. Peter (Lydia Meyers)—Missionary, Shanhsien, Shantung, China. Beyerle, Edith M.—Missionary on furlough from Tibetan border, W. China. Bowen, Minnie I.—Bible teacher, Hickman, Ky. Greisser, Martha—At home, Flanagan, Ill. Greisser, Mrs. Albert (Dora Kriege)—Fort Wayne, Ind. Hilty, Minnie—Missionary on furlough from Hansheo, Hunan, Central China. Hirschy, Menno S.—Employee in printer's office, Berne, Ind. Hostetter, George M. Associated with Hesston Bible School, Hesston, Kan. (?) Lohrentz, Abraham—Medical missionary in China. Lohrentz, Mary—Nurse, Mennonite Hospital, Newton, Kan. Niswander, Cassie—City mission worker, Portland, Ore. Shumaker, John W.—Charlotte, Mich. Suderman, Anna—Caring for mother, Reedley, Calif. Woodford, Mrs. Norma (Greenfield)—Christian worker, Virginia.

CLASS OF 1912

Baltzer, Peter P.—Missionary on furlough from Shanhsien, Shantung, China. Bartels, Mrs. A. F. (Lydia Fett)—Portsmouth, Ohio.
Beard, J. G.—Baptist minister, Marion, Ohio.
Fitch, Mrs. E. B. (Ione Reynolds)—Pastor's wife, Winnipeg, Man.
Hirschy, Norman—Baptist minister, Evans City, Penn.
Leichty, C. A.—Carpenter, Pandora, Ohio.
Olshafsky, Elizabeth—Nurse, Milwaukee, Wis.
Roth, Mrs. Elton (Emma Scherrer)—Nyack, N. Y.

CLASS OF 1913

Clasper, Mrs. John (Anna Roth)—Pastor's wife, Rochester, Mich. Eicher, Benjamin L.—Baptist pastor, Temperance, Mich. Gerig, Mrs. S. S. ((Sadie Garman)—Pastor's wife, Salida, Colo. Herr, Mrs. Walter (Gertrude Ball)—Denair, Calif. Hilty, Mary—Office employee, Pandora, Ohio. Kinser, Zearle A.—Pastor of Christian Church, Hickman, Calif. Leightner, Benjamin F.—Principal of B. T. S., Fort Wayne, Ind. Linz, Michael—Contractor and Christian worker, Cleveland, Ohio. Niswander, James—Farmer, Randolph, Ala. Porter, Bertha P.—Nurse in Calif. Schumaker, Mrs. Sam (Lillie Roth)—Phoenix, Ariz. Strayer, Mrs. Peter (Josephine Gerig)—Minister's wife, Maumee, Ohio.

CLASS OF 1914

Amstutz, Jesse M.—Grocer, Berne, Ind.
Amstutz, Menno N.—Pastor of Missionary Church, Pettisville, Ohio.
Amstutz, Mrs. Menno (Jessie Pritchard)—Deceased.
Funk, Marie H.—At home with aged parents, Hillsboro, Kan.
Harms, John A.—Teacher Northern Baptist University, Chicago.
Hirschy, Mrs. Norman (Esther Sprunger)—Pastor's wife, Evans City, Penn.
Hooven, Mary S.—Pastor of Alliance Church, Columbus, Ohio.
Kinser, Mrs. Zearle (Ethel Moore)—Pastor's wife, Hickman, Calif.
Lanby, John E.—Pastor of Missionary Chuch, Van Nuys, Calif.
Roberts, Charles A.—Teacher in Bible Institute, Hunan Province, China.
Roberts, Mrs. Charles (Florence Suter)—Died in Hunan Province, China.
Rogers, Ida C.—Stenographer, San Francisco, Calif.
Roth, Elton M.—Instructor in Music, Bible Institute, Nyack, N. Y.

CLASS OF 1915

Abegglen, Mary—Deceased.
Sharp, Mrs. Lee Bishop (Metta Hirschy)—Pastor's wife, Joiletville, Ind.
Steiner, Edison, O.—Missionary, died in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in 1922.
Stuckey, Mrs. D. C. (Margaret Emerson)—City mission worker's wife,
Highland Park, Mich.

Yaggy, Walter V.—Pastor of Alliance, Detroit, Mich. Yaggy, Mrs. Walter V.—Pastor's wife, Detroit, Mich.

CLASS OF 1916

Albro, Arthur—Pastor of Missionary Church, Groveland, Ill.
Albro, Mrs. Arthur (Daisy Roth)—Pastor's wife, Groveland, Ill.
Amstutz, Fred—Employee, Fort Wayne, Ind.
Dowler, James—Pastor of M. E. Church, Coleraine, Minn.
Dowler, Mrs. James—Pastor's wife, Coleraine, Minn.
Greenwood, Mrs. Frank (Anna Staehli)—Lorain, Ohio.
Hall, Norman A.—Pastor of M. E. Church, Patchogue, N. Y.
Kriege, Mrs. Gilbert (Erma Schindler)—Edwardsville, Ill.
Lamb, Walter T.—Pastor of Pentecostal Church, Sask, Can.
Lamb, Mrs. Walter T. (Florence Schlatter)—Pastor's wife, Sask. Can.
Moon, Mrs. Robert Holden (Sarah Steiner)—Pastor's wife, Oakland, Calif.
Sharp, Lee Bishop, Pastor in M. E. Church, Joiletville, Ind.
Stauffler, Mrs. W. Paul (Lillian Amstutz)—Fort Wayne, Ind.
Tropf, Henry—Pastor of Missionary Church, Detroit, Mich.

CLASS OF 1917

Amstutz, Sylvia-Mission worker, Council Bluffs, Iowa. Amstutz, Titman—Missionary in Khamgaon, Berar, C. P., India. Bixler, Mrs. E. J. (Melvina Eicher)—Elkton, Mich. Clasper, John-Baptist pastor, Rochester, Mich. Greider, Joseph-Pastor of Missionary Church, Phoenix, Ariz. Greider, Mrs. Joseph-Pastor's wife, Phoenix, Ariz. Hager, Levi-At home with aged mother, Pandora, Ohio. Monroe Mrs. Forest (Alga Blankenship)—Bluffton, Ind. Monroe, Mrs. Sarah Jane—Mankato, Minn. Oyer, Albert—Deceased. Plunkett, Dallas R.—Pastor, Lomita, Calif. Roth, Henry-Pastor off Presbyterian Church, Lafayette, Ga, Sandercock Mrs. J. H.-Deceased. Siemens, David F.-Missionary in Ecuador, S. A. Tropf, Mrs. Henry (Clara Steiner)—Pastor's wife, Detroit, Mich. Wanner, Barbara-Factory employee, Berne, Ind.

CLASS OF 1918

Baucher Mae—Missionary, Yenping, Fahien, China.
Brindley, Minnie M.—Housekeeper, Wauseon, Ohio.
Broeker Louis H.—Baptist pastor, Chicago, Ill.
Dirstein, Anna—In charge of Missionary Rest Home, Minico Beach, Ont., Can.
Dirstein, Emma—In charge of Missionary Rest Home, Minico Beach, Ont., Can.
Fulton, Jess W.—Printer, Mansfield, Ohio.
Haberling, Eleanor—Missionary, Tengyueh, Yunnan, S. China.
Kiehn, Mrs. Peter D. (Susie Baltzer)—Missionary on furlough from Yu
Cheng, Honan, China.

Kliewer, Gerhardt-Returned missionary; pastor of Union Church, near Fort Wayne, Ind.

Kliewer, Sopha-Employee, Glendale, Calif.

Kuhnle, Mrs. Ernest (Mary Perkins)—Pastor's wife, Detroit, Mich. Leightner, Mrs. E. J. (Rhoda Niswander)—Pandora, Ohio.

Oyer, Mary B.—Christian worker, Fresno, Calif. Pauley, Sopha—Cook in B. T. S., Fort Wayne, Ind.

Roth, Ezra-Missionary from China. Attending School, Chicago, Ill.

Roth, Mrs. Ezra (Helen Siemens)-Missionary from China, Chicago, Ill.

Rupp, Mary E.—Employee, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Saunders, Mrs. Walter (Edna Potter)—Palisade, Neb. Schug, Salome—Teacher, Berne, Ind.

Siemens, Mrs. David (Vera Bixler)—Deceased.

Sprunger, Mrs. Leo (Mary Wanner)-Westfield, Ind.

Sutton, Omar-Missionary, Charlesville, Congo Belge, W. C. Africa.

CLASS OF 1919

Abrahamson, Dagny M.—Santa Barbara, Calif.

Acosta, Mrs. Primitivo (Luella Benz)-Pastor's wife, Havana, Cuba.

Etzel, Albert H.-Cleveland, Ohio.

Geiser, Mrs. Marvin (Sarah Spengler)—Toledo, Ohio.

Lundgren, Ruby—Missionary from China, Chicago, Ill. Oyer, William D.—Missionary, Honolulu, T. H.

Richert, Louise S.—Teacher, Gotebo, Okla. Schlatter, Nina E.—Stenographer, Chicago, I.l.

Shepley, Reginald—Dennison University, Granville, Ohio.

Shepley, Mrs. Reginald (Grace Murbach)—Dennison University, Granville, O.

Stock, Louise—Chicago, Ill.
Suter, Leroy R.—Office worker in Y.M.C.A., Los Angeles, Calif.

Wanner, Martha-Factory employee, Berne, Ind.

Zollinger, Christine-Nurse, Fort Wayne, Ind.

CLASS OF 1920

Applegate, Amy-Missionary from Ebenezer Mission, Honan, China.

Bracy, Hannah-Missionary to Angola, P. W. Africa.

Glock, J. Frank-Evangelical Work, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Glock, Mrs. Frank-Fort Wayne, Ind.

Houston, James H.—Pastor Baptist church, Quinten, Okla. Klint, Cıara C.—Missionary from Kankan Par Conakry, Guinie Francaise, Afrique Occidental.

Rediger, Ruth-Missionary work, Peoria, Ill.

Ringenberg, Jesse-On furlough from Dholka, Gujerat, India.

Roth, Aaron L.—Baptist pastor, Buda, Ill.

Roth, Mrs. A. L. (Lillian Schumacher)—Pastor's wife, Buda, Ill.

Stauffer, Emanuel-Colporteur, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Steiner, Clayton D.-Missionary, Peru, South America.

Steiner, Olga M.—At home, Pandora, Ohio.

Thompson, Mrs. Paul (Madeline Rinteoul) -- Christian worker in the East.

Wieland, Paul A.—Baptist pastor, Louisville, Ky.

CLASS OF 1921

Amstutz, Elda--Missionary, Ramabai Mukti Mission, Khedgaon, India.

Barnes, Mrs. George (Verena Lou)-Fayette, Ohio.

Bartel, Marie H.—In nurse's training, Bethel Hospital, Newton, Kan.

Becker, Alvin G.-Missionary from Charlesville, Congo Belge, W. C. Africa.

Burkholder, Lydia—City mission worker, Chicago, Ill.

Dodgson, Arthur Stanley—Pastor of Baptist Church, N. Dak. Dodgson, Mrs. A. Stanley (Ruth Naomi Roth)—Pastor's wife, N. Dak. Hewsin, Mrs. Thomas R. (Edna Sayres)—Stony Creek, Ont. Can.

Johnson, C. Nettie—Employee and Christian worker, Toledo, Ohio. Lindstrom, Mrs. Fred (Esther Anderson)—Beloit, Wis.

Moser, Rachel—Evangelistic singer, Berne, Ind.

Oyer, Alvin D.—Missionary, Honolulu, T. H. Parlee, Mrs. Carl (Rosina Ramseyer)—Singing evangelist, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Ramseyer, Daniel E.—Pastor of Baptist Church, Butte, Neb.

Siemons, Margaret F.-Nurse, Los Angeles, Calif.

Stauffer, Christine—Employee in factory, Fort Wayne, Ind.

CLASS OF 1922

Ackerman, Mrs. Reuben (Lydia B. Zimmerman)—Pekin, Ill. Byroads, Mrs. Charles (Esther M. Becker)—Fort Wayne, Ind. Hager, Albert—Contractor, painter and pastor, Fort Wayne, Ind. Haller, Archie P.—Missionary in pioneer work, Belgian Congo, W. C. Afrifca. Hansser, Sylvanus J.—Missionary in Venezuela, S. A. Hartzel, Mary—Worker in Orphans' Home, Defiance, Ohio. Klopfenstein, Weldon O.—Pastor of Missionary Church, Fort Wayne, Ind. Richert, Emma E.—Returned missionary from Africa, Goetbo, Okla. Rithaler, Mrs. Frank (Jennie Moser)—Groveland, Ill. Seitz, Edward E.—Farmer and gospel worker, Sterling, Kan. Seitz, Mrs. Edward (Mildred Barndollar)—Sterling, Kan. Stauffer, Wallace Paul—Factory employee, Fort Wayne, Ind. Squires, Edith D.—Sunday School and Christian worker, Fort Wayne, Ind. Witmer Safara A.—Instructor at B. T. S., Fort Wayne, Ind.

CLASS OF 1923

Angus, Gertrude-Business woman, Detroit, Mich. Becker, Mrs. E. (Maude Becker)—Pastor's wife, Berne, Ind. Birkey, Clarence I.—Missionary, Boma, Congo Belge, W. C. Africa. Birkey, Ina K.—Missionary to China. Birkey, Roy-Pastor, Missionary Church, Elton, Mich. Chant, Franklin P.—Pastor of Friends Church, Knightstown, Ind. Chant, Mrs. F. P. (Lillian Roth)—Pastor's wife, Knightstown, Ind. Diller, Herbert—Phoenix, Arizona. Frank, Mrs. Herman (Gladys Aeschliman)—Pettisville, Ohio. Gaskill, Myrle—Teacher in Correspondence Business College, Fort Wayne, Ind. Gerig, Chris-Pastor of Missionary Church, Woodburn, Ind. Hansser, Mrs. Sylvanus J. (Eunice Diller)—Missionary in Venezuela, S. A. Hirschy, Kathryn—Nurse, Fort Wayne, Ind. Jackson, Bessie—Nurse, Fort Wayne, Ind. Moser, Raymond-Manager of chicken hatchery, Montpelier, Ind. Rose, Hattie-Office girl, Detroit, Mich. Rodgers, Mrs. Thomas (Martha Clark)—Lorain, Ohio. Roth, Esther—At home, Grabill, Ind. Schlatter, Mrs. William (Josephine Roth)—Pastor's wife, Stryker, Ohio. Taylor, Margaret—Business woman, Detroit, Mich. Thiessen, K. Irene-Office work, Corn, Okla. Wiederkehr Clarence-Employee; in charge of gospel work, Fort Wayne, Ind. Witmer, Mrs. S. A. (Edith McLean)-Fort Wayne, Ind. Wolfe, Mrs. Adolph (Olive Bedford)—Elkton, Mich.

CLASS OF 1924

Eicher, Ruth V.—Mission House, Ellechpur, Berar, India.

Everett, Mrs. Charles (Martha Schultz)—Pastor's wife, Bremen, Ind.

Haller, Herbert—Missionary in pioneer work, Belgian Congo, W. C. Africa.

Harrison, Edith—Church worker, Detroit, Mich.

Honderich, Silvan—Carpenter and Christian worker, Detroit, Mich.

Hygema, William—Pastor of M. B. C. Church, Pottsdam, Ohio.

Imbach, Marie—Keeping house for brother-in-law, Bluffton, Ohio.

Liechty, Barbara—Employee in factory, Berne, Ind.

Manges, Warren—Pastor of M. B. C. Church, Nappannee, Ind.

Manges, Mrs. Warren—Pastor's wife, Nappannee, Ind.

Moyer, Lillian—At home, Hamilton, Ont., Can.

Rich, Mrs. Melvin (Esther Wagler)—Return missionary to Africa, Peoria, Ill.

Ummel, Paul—Missionary, Zuru, Nigeria, W. Africa.

Ummel, Mrs. Joseph (Mabel Hygema)—Missionary on furlough from Zuru, Nigeria, W. Africa.

CLASS OF 1925

Amstutz, Mrs. Omen (Selma Hirschy)—Berne, Ind.
Bartel, Loyal—Missionary, Isachsian suny, North China.
Becker, Emanuel—Pastor of Defenseless Mennonite Church, Berne, Ind.
Browett, Harold—Civil engineer and Christian worker, Montreal, Can.
Brown, Marie—Shambaugh, Iowa.
Grabill, Jacob—Pastor of M. B. C. Church, Elkhart, Ind.

Grabill, Mrs. Jacob (Sadie Bontrager)—Pastor's wife, Elkhart, Ind. Griener, Mrs. Elmer (Lydia Seitz)—Morton, Ill.
Grosh, Marion—Pastor of M. B. C. Church, Picqua, Ohio.
Kliewer, Martha—Glandale, Calif.
Lewis, Viva—Deaconess of Alliance Church, Monroe, Mich.
Marker, Harvey—Pastor M. B. C. Mission, Altoona, Pa.
Marker, Mrs. Harvey—Pastor's wife, Altoona, Pa.
Niccum, Mrs. Joseph (Margaret Baker)—Elkhart, Ind.
Nittrouer, Laura—City Mission worker, Covington, Ohio.
Schlink, Mrs. Harold (Lenora Leightner)—Northern Baptist University, Chicago, Ill.

CLASS OF 1926

Ackerman, H. A.—Marion College, Marion, Ind. Ackerman, Mrs. H. A. (Mary Ann Klopfensten)—Marion, Ind. Beckhart, Ada-Victoria, Chili, S. A. Birkey, Mrs. Roy (Elizabeth Klopfenstein)—Pastor's wife, Elkton, Mich. Bowman, Clyde—Missionary in Quetta Dist., Baluchistan, India. Bowman, Mrs. Clyde, Missionary in Quetta Dist., Baluchistan, India. Copp, Mrs. Clarence (Laverne Shull)—Fort Wayne, Ind. Dammann, Arvilla—House Work, Fort Wayne, Ind. Diller, Waldo-Pandora, Ohio; Deceased. Duvall, Hallie-Practical nurse, Frankfort, Ky. Everett, Charles-Pastor of M. B. C. Church, Bremen, Ind. Figg, Edna-Missionary Quito, Ecuador, S. A. Gerber, Katherine-Mission worker, Fairview, Ohio. Gerig, Clarence—Pastor Missionary Church, Angola, Ind. Gerig, Mrs. Clarence (Idella Neuenschwander)—Angola, Ind. Gulick, Mrs. Wilfred H. (Grace Dye)-Detroit, Mich. Haller, Clyde-Farmer and Christian worker, Bucklin, Kan. Hartman, Revera-Pikesville, Ky., in Methodist Hospital. Hughes, Golda-Covington, Ohio. Klopfenstein, Mrs. Joseph (Mary Clauser)-Pastor's wife, Wauneta, Nebr. Lehman, Iva-Goshen, Ind. Leonard, Mrs. Earl (Gladys Amstutz)—Gordon College, Boston, Mass. Morton, Dr. Beatrice L.—Chiropodist, Fort Wayne, Ind. Moyer, Anna—Office work, Fort Wayne, Ind. Oyer, J. Harold—Student in University of Indiana, Bollmington, Ind. Parlee, Carl—Evangelistic singer, Fort Wayne, Ind. Potts, Elizabeth—Secretary for father, Fort Wayne, Ind. Schlink, Harold—Chicago, Ill. Schott, Ora—Hutchinson, Kan. Smith, Emma-Nurse, Cincinnati, Ohio. Steiner, Armin—Pastor of Missionary Church, Clyde, Ohio. Steiner, Mrs. Armin—Pastor's wife, Clyde, Ohio. Steiner, Oliver-High School Instructor, New Bremen, Ohio. Steinman, Lois—Nurse's training, Methodist Hospital, Fort Wayne, Ind. Stockman, Otto—Pastor of M. B. C. Church, New Carlisle, Ohio. Stockman, Mrs. (Olive Wright)—Pastor's wife, New Carlisle, Ohio. Tung, Mrs. S. D. (Mary Lee)—Professor's wife, S. Manchuria, China. Wighout, Mrs. Cordon (Mystle Bradley)—Parine, Sark, Care, Jan. Wishart, Mrs. Gordon (Myrtle Bradley)—Regina, Sask., Canada. Yoss, Sophia—Office work, Fort Wayne, Ind. Zehr, Ernest-Christian work, Berne, Ind.

CLASS OF 1927

Amstutz, Allen—Pastor of Union Church, Delphos, Ohio.
Baker, William—Pastor, Councilville, Penn.
Bowman, Floyd—Missionary to Africa (Studying in France).
Brooks, Spencer—Student in Missionary Institute, Nyack, N. Y.
Burkholder, Juanita—At home, Bluffton, Ohio.
Canen, Irvin—Pastor M. B. C. Church, Antioch, Ind.
Crowe, Mrs. Burl (Aimee Vernon)—Christian worker, Lafayette, Ind.
Diller, Goldie—At home, Phoenix, Ariz.
Burlong Boyd—Employee in factory, Laura, Ohio.

Guiff, Susie—Missionary work, Jackson, Mich.
Haas, Alfred—Employee in factory, Fort Wayne, Ind.
Klopfefnstein, Joseph—Pastor of Missionary Church, Wauneta, Nebr.
Lehman, Martha—Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, Ind.
Leonard, Earl—Gordon College, Boston, Mass.
Maurer, Floran—Helping father, Wakarusa, Ind.
Meier, Ezra—Christian work, Peoria, Ill.
Martquart Mrs. Keith (Helen J. Oyer)—Fort Wayne, Ind.
Preston, Mrs. Harvey (Dessie Meyer)—Long Beach, Calif.
Reid, Jean—Evangelistic singer, Detroit, Mich.
Rich, Melvin—Returned missionary from Africa, Peoria, Ill.
Ringenberg, Esther—Housework, Fort Wayne, Ind.
Rupp, Elsie—Post graduate student, Fort Wayne, Ind.
Schmidt, Oscar E.—At home, Gotebo, Okla.
Smith, F.Mae—Nurse, Frankfort, Ky.
Stubblefield Mary—Employee, Dayton, Ohio.

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Weber, Elcanor—Evangelistic singer, Detroit, Mich.
Wulliman, Arveda G.—Employee, Berne, Ind.

CALENDAR

- Sept. 18, 1929—Registration. Another epoch in the history of B. T. S. The ground-breaking service in the evening marks an impressive beginning of the new dormitory.
- Sept. 19, 1929—The first chapel service—Rev. Rickerts.
- Sept. 20, 1929-Rev. B. G. Smith, first Mission Band speaker.
- Sept. 22, 1929-Welcome, B. T. S. students, to the Sunday School Rally at the First Missionary Church.
- Sept. 24, 1929—Evangelist Turley, speaks in chapel.
- Sept. 27, 1929—Rev. and Mrs. Garnett G. Philippe, missionaries to China, addressed Mission Band.
- Sept. 30, 1929—A very practical message on "Reliance upon God" by Miss Minnie Hilty, missionary to China.
- Oct. 4, 1929-Mr. Floyd and Rev. Clyde Bowman, former B. T. S. students, give heart-searching messages at Mission Band. Impressive consecration service.
- Oct. 8, 1929—Rev. W. O. Klopfenstein, chapel speaker.
- Oct. 11, T929—Something different—an illustrated chapel messages on "Gospel Truths Taught by Geometrical Figures," by Rev. P. R. Schroeder, President, South Dakota Junior College.
- Oct. 10, 1929—Stop! Look! Listen! Little white slip presented by the Dean. Miss Brooks, first up.
- Oct. 18, 1929-Mr. Baggs takes us through God's Grocery Store-We see wholesale quantities of Patience, Grace, Love, and all needed commodities.
- Oct. 19, 1929—Another member of the "family," Rev. Jess Ringenburg welcomed as the Mission Band speaker.
- Oct. 22, 1929-Rev. B. G. Smith, our capable Field Representative, presents need of additional funds for the new building.
- Oct. 24, 1929—A special treat. Miss Kaffray, missionary-evangelist, speaks in chapel.
- Oct. 25, 1929—Chapel speaker, Rev. Cohen, converted Jew and native of Jamaica. Mission Band speaker, Miss Grace Shramm, missionary to Africa.
- Oct. 27, 1929—Corner stone of Bethany Hall laid in the afternoon. Oct. 28, 1929—Day of Prayer. Time of great blessing. Rev. S. B. Shaw, author of "Touching Incidents and Remarkable Answers to Prayer," presiding.
- Oct. 31, 1929—Chapel speaker, Miss Pohnert, missionary of the Ebenezer Mission in China. Message from Jas. 4:2. Very practical and heart-searching.
- Nov. 1, 1929—Mission Band service in charge of Rev. D. C. Stucky and family of Detroit, Mich.
- Nov. 2, 1929—Rev. Philip Hinkey, missionary to China, is welcomed as a house guest for four weeks.
- Nov. 7, 1929—Chapel speaker, Rev. W. H. Johnson, M. B. C. Evangelist.
- Nov. 8, 1929-Rev. Philip Hinkey, garbed in Chinese native costume, addresses Mission Band.
- Nov. 15, 1929—Mrs. Hinkey gives personal testimony.
- Nov. 22-24, 1929—Thirteen delegates attend Y. P. G. L. convention at Taylor University.
- Nov. 25, 1929—Student body attends stereoption lecture given by Rev. W. H. Oldfield at First Missionary Church. Graphical presentation of famine conditions in China and the causes underlying these conditions.
- Nov. 27, 1929—Musical recital during General Chorus. Thanksgiving vacation begins.

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Dec. 7, 1929—Humorous but pathetic Mission Band message—Rev. E. A. Fiddler, missionary to India's lepers.

Dec. 13, 1929—Mission Band—Bert Eicher relates life of Ernest Fenton Hall.

Dec. 17, 1929—Joshua class resumed after Rev. J. E. Ramseyer's return.

Dec. 18, 1929—Blizzard. Br-r!

Dec. 20, 1929—Christmas vacation—blizzard—snow drifts—home a long way off!!

Jan. 1, 1930—Happy New Year!

Jan. 2, 1930—Lecture in First Missionary Church by Rev. Henry Ramseyer.

Jan. 3, 1930-Rev. Henry Ramseyer, chapel speaker. Mission Band speaker-H. A. Marangeopa, Malay missionary.

Jan. 6, 1930-A profitable chapel hour; speaker Mr. Blair, missionary to Korea.

Jan. 9, 1930-Three students as Mission Band speakers. How our hearts were stirred as we heard their testimonies! Jan. 17, 1930—Miss Minnie Hilty, missionary to China, relates interesting account

of work in Hunan, Central China.

Jan. 20, 1930-Mid-term exams. Alarm Clocks in demand. Little need for the rising bell.

Jan. 21, 1930—Election of Mission Band officers.

Jan. 24, 1930—Rev. Thomas Davies, former member of the faculty, speaks at Mission Band. Subject: "The Spiritual Approach to the Word of God."

Jan. 27, 1930—Registration day.

Jan. 30, 1930-Rev. . C. Poole gives lecture on "How We Got the English Bible." We

came away with a deeper gratitude to God from His precious Word.

Jan. 31, 1930—"Birthday shower" on Mr. S. A. Witmer. We heard there was danger of its being a literal shower. Mission Band speaker F. B. Whistler of India.

Feb. 1, 1930—Students kept busy addressing envelopes for dedicatorial announcements.

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- Feb. 4, 1930—Smallpox! Three victims sent to the "pest house"; vaccination follows. Miss Baker receives a "taking" birthday gift.
- Feb. 6, 1930—Another Day of Prayer in which God manifested His presence in a precious way,
- Feb. 7, 1930—Claim was laid to the Greek Room by Mrs. B. G. Smith (Eng. III) and by Rev. B. G. Smith (Apol. I) the fourth period. Division of the house of Smith amicably settled when Mr. Smith smilingly agrees to the priority right of Mrs. Smith. At Mission Band, Rev. Eash presents stereopticon lecture of Africa.
- Feb. 9, 1930—Church service held in the chapel because of smallpox epidemic. No practical work. Rev. J. E. Ramseyer and Rev. Jacob Hygema bring messages.
- Feb. 12, 1930—Professor Weaver plays a L O N G solo for Ruth Morris in chapel.
- Feb. 20, 1930—Girls move into Bethany Hall, and boys into Administration Building. We observe new and amazing methods of conveying luggage. Bert Eicher leads the display.
- Feb. 21, 1930—Two students again address Mission Band. Miss Elizabeth (?) Baker and Mr. Jacob, speakers.
- Feb. 25, 1930—Mrs. Smith adopts new methods of imparting instruction to Hist. II class. On her desk, in easy reach, is a hammer and a screwdriver. Let us hope the mere display of the new method will be effective.
- Feb. 28, 1930—Mission Band speaker, Rev. John Clark, missionary to South America. Mar. 7, 1930—Rev. H. E. Nelson of Beulah Beach, Ohio, speaker at Mission Band.
- Mar. 12, 1930—Classes excused for the afternoon to clean up the campus. Some acquire a coat of foreign coloring matter. Weiner roast at the end of a perfect day.
- Mar. 14, 1930—Mrs. T. H. Robertson of Pandora, Ohio, shows us that "God expects every Christian to be a missionary."
- Mar. 18, 1930—First address of Anniversary program delivered by Rev. L. H. Ziemer on Revelation 5.
- Mar. 19, 1930—Afternoon service, Rev. L. H. Ziemer. Subject: "Bethlehem or Calvary." Dr. John Paul of Taylor University brings the evening message. Text Psa. 119:130. Stresses spiritual knowledge as more important than acquired knowledge.



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- Mar. 20, 1930—Rev. Snead of New York City, afternoon speaker. General theme for these services, "Fulfill thy ministry," 2 Tim. 4:5. Evening service addressed by Rev. L. H. Ziemer. His subject "Satan's Masterpiece or the Anti-Christ." This afternoon, about 3 o'clock, Allan Frey went Home.
- Mar. 21, 1930—Short funeral service held for our brother. Rev. J. E. Ramseyer reads the Scripture and makes a few comments. We sympathize with the family in their bereavement. The afternoon and evening services continued the theme: "Fulfill thy ministry."
- Mar. 23, 1930—Rev. A. C. Snead addresses both the morning and afternoon services. Following the afternoon service the congregation assembles before Bethany Hall for the dedication. Rev. C. L. Eicher of Chicago preaches at the evening service. Message: "The Day in Which We Live," based on 2 Cor. 5:10-14.
- Mar. 28, 1930—Rev. R. E. Shaffer of the Africa Inland Mission, presents interesting pictures of the Masai tribe at Mission Band.
- Apr. 1, 1930—Mr. Greiner's birthday. Didn't taste the birthday cake but heard it was delicious. Happy Birthday!
- Apr. 4, 1930—Rev. Reuben Larson, Mission Band speaker. Pictures conditions in South America in graphic way; reminds us of the white man's neglect and abuse against South America.
- Apr. 18, 1930—Easter vacation. Glad for a short time of rest before the busy Commencement season.
- Apr. 21, 1930—Back at school after a delightful vacation.
- May 18, 1930—Baccalaureate service at the First Missionary Church. Address by Rev. Jacab Hygema. Just a few days left.
- May 21, 1930—Annual Musical Recital at the First Missionary Church at 8 o'clock.
- May 22, 1930—Glad to have the privilege of meeting former students at Fellowship Circle,
- May 23, 1930—Class of 1930 graduates from dear old B. T. S.

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